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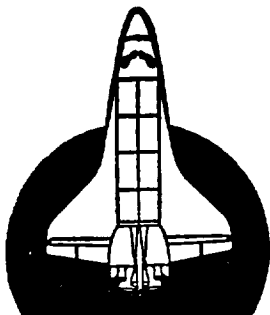
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Augmentation Processor  
installed at the  
facility

In December an Augmentation Processor was installed and placed in operation. The new processor, an IBM 4341, has a 4-megabyte core, complementing the IBM-360/65 with its 3-megabyte core. Disk storage for the two computers to work with at the Facility now totals 5.26 billion bytes.

The ORDER Command

The document ordering feature of the ORDER Command is currently undergoing joint evaluation by the Lewis Research Center and the Facility and will be in a test mode for the next several months. Please refrain from using the ORDER Command for documents at this time.

New Stored Search  
for your Use

A new stored search entitled NASAPUBS has been entered into the system and is available for your use. It selects all of the NASA SP's (Special Publications), RP's (Reference Publications), and CP's (Conference Proceedings) except for the NASA SP's in the 7000 series - the Continuing Bibliographies and Special Bibliographies. These series, e.g., Aerospace Medicine and Biology, Aeronautical Engineering, Energy, Earth Resources, etc., had to be omitted from the stored search because of their large accession number populations.

The new stored search will be exceedingly valuable to your operation when a client needs a few quality documents or references on NASA's efforts in the subject matter requested.

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NASA SP's, RP's, and CP's represent the cream of NASA's documentation efforts. The new stored search will select them off the file in a few minutes, merging them into a collection set that can be matched against a subject of your choice.

Our sample below matches the NASA special publications against the "telecommunication" family.

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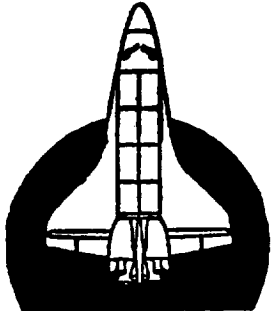
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#### NASA/RECON Access Policy

Questions have arisen concerning the policy for allowing online access to NASA/RECON. Access is now being offered to NASA contractors and Federal agencies that assist NASA in its mission. It is anticipated that access will be extended to others at a later date. Current access charges are \$120 per year, \$15 per connect hour, and \$.03 per citation, printed at the Facility; these charges will be reviewed annually.

#### NASA/RECON Advanced Training Plans

Basic RECON training has been given to 20 new users during January and February. Basic training programs will be offered throughout the year as new users join the RECON user community. Our advanced RECON training program for the remainder of CY 1981 has been carefully coordinated with the basic training program and is tentatively scheduled as follows:

April 14 - 15, 1981 (Tues. & Wed.)

At the Facility for LaRC, LeRC, JSC, KSC, MSFC, NSTL,  
Draper Lab., Pratt & Whitney (East Hartford), WFC, and RSIC.

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May 18 - 19, 1981 (Mon. & Tues.)

At JPL (Pasadena) for JPL, Ames, DFRC, WESRAC, and TAC.

May 20 - 21, 1981 (Wed. & Thurs.)

At Rockwell (Downey) for Rockwell, General Dynamics, Boeing, Hughes, Northrop, and Martin Marietta.

October 13 - 14, 1981 (Tues. & Wed.)

At ARAC (Indianapolis) for ARAC, KASC, NCSTRC, Battelle, General Electric (Valley Forge), KY STAC, FL STAC, and KERR.

Advanced training at the aforementioned locations will include sessions on the use of the STORED SEARCH feature, use of File Collection N, NALNET, and advanced exercises using the KEEP and SORT commands.





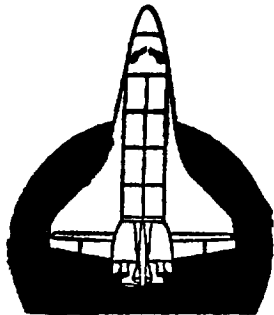
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#### Listing of New NASA/RECON Users

A listing of new NASA/RECON users grouped by U.S. time zone areas is presented in the attachment. The listing is provided with the expectations that certain information retrieval problems in the field may be solved quickly through informal interchange among field RECON users. Supplemental listings will be published in future bulletins as the user family becomes larger.

Please note that the listing does not include users from the NASA Centers, the NASA Industrial Application Centers, the Department of Energy, and others who have been linked to NASA/RECON prior to May 1978.

#### NASA/RECON Reference List Evaluation Sheets

A NASA/RECON Reference List Evaluation Sheet (NHQ Form 110) is included for each search made by field users. For system improvement, the NASA Scientific Technical Information Branch again requests that these forms be returned to NASA Headquarters after the lists have been prepared. Please ask the ultimate user of the search to complete the form and return it to your RECON office for perusal or analysis; and thence to NASA Headquarters through use of the pre-addressed and franked mailer.

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New NASA/RECON Users - May 1978 through March 15, 1981Pacific Time Zone (12)Washington

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Mr. Fred Gaspar	Seattle, WN.	

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Ms. Martha Liles	Systems Control, Inc.	415-494-1165
	Palo Alto, CA	Ext. 350
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	Menlo Park, CA	
Ms. Edith Moore	The Aerospace Corp.	213-648-6738
Mr. Robert Anthony	Los Angeles, CA	
Ms. Susan Clifford	Hughes Aircraft	213-648-4668
Mr. David Brown	Los Angeles, CA	
Ms. Jeanne Balikos	Hughes Aircraft	213-391-0711
	Culver City, CA	Ext. 2615
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	Burbank, CA	
Mr. H. W. Jones	Northrop Corp.	213-970-4136
Ms. Virginia Crabtree	Hawthorne, CA	
Ms. Fumiko G. Oiye	TRW	213-536-2150
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	Downey, CA	213-922-1522
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	San Diego, CA	





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Mountain Time Zone (5)Colorado

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Florida

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Ms. Eileen W. Stephenson Ms. Anne Foreman	Air Force Wright Aeronautical Lab. W. P. AFB, OH	513-255-3630
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Change in Dates

The two-day advanced training session scheduled for October 13-14 (Tues. and Wed.) at ARAC in Indianapolis, as announced in NASA/RECON User's Bulletin 81/2, has been changed to October 14-15 (Wed. and Thurs.). The change was required because Monday, October 12, is Columbus Day. A slippage of one day means that no one will be required to travel on a holiday.

Title Sort of NASA  
Library Network  
Accessions (Books)

In NASA/RECON User's Bulletin 80/5 of May 1980 the double sorting of book titles, a lowercase sort from a to z followed by an uppercase sort from A to Z was discussed. Lowercase titles were caused by use of a Title Prefix - mostly for the letter "A" and the word "The".

The sorting algorithm has now been modified to intermingle initial lowercase and uppercase characters of the first alphabetical character of the first sortable word in the title. See example of the current title sort of the book file on page 2.

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### The EXPAND Command

In RECON training courses the use of EXPAND, particularly for an author search, has been stressed. Names may appear in a variety of ways in the data base. A basic difficulty in consistency in an author's name is that names are taken as they appear on a document; and an author's name may be presented differently in several reports he has written or co-authored. In many cases a cataloger cannot be sure that he/she is dealing with the same author. Decisions as to how to treat given names, initials, surnames, compound names, etc., are usually made for several reasons, reflecting both cataloging and computer system requirements, which may not be evident.

For example, you are looking for all references by W. F. O'Brien. If you SELECT AU/O'BRIEN, W. F., you will find one reference. However, if you enter EXPAND AU/O'BRIEN, W. F., you will see:

-E06	AU/O'BRIEN, W. F.	N	1	0
E07	AU/O'BRIEN, W. F., JR.	N	2	0

Examination of the corporate sources and the subject matter for these authors will indicate that they are one and the same person. You now have three references instead of one. You could also have achieved the same result by truncation:

SELECT AU/O'BRIEN, W. F.:

Another approach to explore is to EXPAND the name without an apostrophe; giving an additional thirteen references:

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or a grand total of sixteen references, fifteen of which could have been missed without an expand.

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**EXPAND Command  
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A name with the prefix Mc could have appeared prior to a rule standardization in 1972 both with and without a space between it and the second part of the names. Since then such names should be indexed without the space.

Names like C. S. Wang Chang should be checked under Chang, C. S. W. as well as Wang Chang, C. S.

Variations also occur in some foreign names because the translations are done according to different rules. Some translators will transliterate two Russian letters as YA and YU, while others transliterate the same letters as IA and IU.

For example, the author I. P. Yudenkow also appears as I. P. Iudenkow. Some translators will end Russian names - and other appropriate words - with a double i, while others will change the second i to y, as in the case of V. V. Yablonskiy who also appears as V. V. Iablonskii.

In German names, sometimes the umlaut over an A, O, or U is indicated in translation by the addition of an E following the vowel. Sometimes this E is omitted, as in the case of E. J. W. Muller for E. J. W. Mueller. If the EXPAND command is used, both spellings can be checked easily.

In the case of uncertainty as to whether the two authors are actually two authors or one with two spellings, select each name separately. Put in a specified format: SF ACC,CO,PAA;UTL and display each set in format 4:

DISPLAY 5/4  
DISPLAY 6/4

If the corporate sources or personal author affiliations are the same, and the subject matter is related, then it's probable that the two are the same individual.

**New Online Users  
Group**

A new online users group has been formed in Central/Eastern Kentucky. It has been tentatively christened as Central/Eastern Kentucky Online Users Group, or C/EK0UG.



**New Online Users  
Group**

**Additional information on the group may be obtained from:**

**Ms. Stephanie Allen, Reference Librarian  
University of Kentucky Medical Center Library  
MS-135 Chandler Medical Center Library  
Lexington, KY 40506**

**Mr. Robert F. Jack, Information Services Coordinator  
NASA/UK Technology Applications Program  
109 Kinkead Hall  
University of Kentucky  
Lexington, KY 40506**







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### Frequency Command

The Frequency Command is a powerful aid for developing a search strategy in an interactive mode. However, care must be exercised in its use. The Frequency Command executed against a set from File Collection D will result in a "sub-task abort" if it contains an ASRDI accession (D series, e.g., 75D10001).

As a precautionary measure, ensure that your set for Frequency action is devoid of "D" accessions. You may limit the set in question to the "D" series and then eliminate the "D" set by the "NOT" command; or you may limit the desired set to A, B, K, M, X, and W Series.

### NASA/RECON Basic Training Workshop

The next NASA/RECON Basic Training Workshop will be held at the STI Facility on September 22 and 23 provided a quorum of between 7 and 10 new users can be assembled. New users who have not received any formal training are requested to inform Mr. Philip F. Eckert at the Facility of their plans for the September training sessions (301-796-5300, ext 363 or 374).

### New Features Requested for RECON

As a result of discussions during the last two training sessions (California Groups in May and basic training at the STI Facility in June), the two most desired features for RECON are discussed below.

- o Shift to 1200 Baud Rate for Dial-In. Work is in process at the Facility for this feature. A target date for completion of the systems effort to make the 1200 Baud rate an option on RECON for dial-in is spring 1981. The actual shift to 1200 Baud will

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ext. 286). Other problems, suggestions, and comments may be directed to Buford Smith or John Wilson (Telephone: (202)-755-3465, NASA Headquarters, Code NST-42, Washington, D. C. 20546).



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New Features  
Continued

be dependent upon the completion of a currently active project to convert the communications processing to a more reliable system.

- o Continuous Display on a Dial-In Terminal. The need and possible implementation of this feature is under consideration. Future progress and decisions concerning implementation will be publicized when appropriate.

If you as a RECON user have any pet ideas or features you think should be added to NASA/RECON, such as continuous display, please communicate them by note to Buford Smith, Code NST-42, NASA Headquarters, Washington, D.C. 20546.

Telephone Number  
Change

Effective August 5, 1981, the RECON Coordinator's telephone number will be changed to 301-621-2988. This is a commercial telephone number which is a local number from Washington, D.C. and may be accessed directly via FTS.

To ensure uninterrupted service to the RECON user community the current FTS number will be retained for about two weeks following the installation of the new number.



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NASA/RECON Advanced  
Training Workshop -  
October 1981

As announced in RECON User's Bulletins 81/2 and 81/5, a NASA/RECON Advanced Training Workshop will be held at ARAC in Indianapolis on October 14 and 15. The workshop will be held primarily for personnel from ARAC, NIAC at University of Pittsburgh, North Carolina Science and Technology Research Center, Battelle, General Electric (Valley Forge), NASA/Florida State Technology Center, NASA/University of Kentucky Application Program, and the Kerr Industrial Applications Center (S.E. Oklahoma State University). Others may attend; those organizations who have made reservations for the workshop are requested to re-affirm their reservations. Organizations planning to send one or more representatives to the workshop are requested to inform Mr. Philip F. Eckert at the Facility of their plans (301-796-5300, ext. 363 or 374).

Use of NASA/RECON  
as a Special  
Dictionary

Time and again Facility personnel and virtually all technical information processing personnel throughout the world have been confronted with technical terms or acronyms that defy definitions. The acronym CAT can be easily conquered by medically-oriented personnel (Computerized Axial Tomography - now called CT for Computerized Tomography) or by atmospheric physicists or meteorologists (Clear Air Turbulence). These are the easy types because they have been listed in some dictionaries, manuals, textbooks, or encyclopedias.

But what about those that have not been listed?



Our first example is to find the definition of  DIAKOPTICS  on RECON.

### Solution

SELECT TX/DIAKOPTIC: (Root Search)

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1      6      11 TX/DIAKOPTIC      TX/DIAK
OPTICS      ROOT/DIAKOPTIC
PRIMARY DATA BASE ONLINE
          DISPLAY 04/2/2
          72A25202# ISSUE 14 PAGE 1577 CATEGORY 3 71/00/00 7 PAGES IN
          RUSSIAN UNCLASSIFIED DOCUMENT
UTTL: COMPUTER METHODS FOR ANALYZING THE STATES OF COMPLEX ELECTRICAL NETWORKS
      BY SEPARATION INTO SMALLER PORTIONS
UNOC: DIGITAL COMPUTER CALCULATION OF COMPLEX ELECTRIC NETWORKS DESCRIBED BY
      MATHEMATICAL MODELS, CALCULATING FLOW DISTRIBUTION
AUTH: A/KHRUSHCHOVA, E. V. PAA: A/CAKADEMIIA NAUK UKRAINSKOI SSR, INSTITUT
      ELEKTRODINAMIKI, KIEV, UKRAINIAN SSR)
      PROBLEMY TEKHNIЧЕСКОИ ELEKTRODINAMIKI, NO. 30, 1971, P. 20-26. IN
      RUSSIAN.
MAJS: /*COMPUTER TECHNIQUES/*ELECTRIC NETWORKS/*FLOW DISTRIBUTION/*MATHEMATICAL
      MODELS/*NETWORK ANALYSIS
MINS: / ALGORITHMS/ COMPLEX SYSTEMS/ DIGITAL COMPUTERS/ LINEAR EQUATIONS/
      MATRICES (MATHEMATICS)/ SYSTEMS ANALYSIS
ABA: T.M.
ABS: ** DIAKOPTICS ** (SYSTEM TEARING) IS A METHOD OF SEPARATING A LARGE
      SYSTEM INTO SEVERAL SMALLER SYSTEMS, EACH DESCRIBED BY A SEPARATE
      MATHEMATICAL MODEL. THE EFFECTS OF ALL OTHER SUBSYSTEMS ON EACH PARTICULAR
      SUBSYSTEM ARE EVALUATED, AND THE FINAL RESULT PROVIDES A SOLUTION FOR THE
      ENTIRE COMPLEX SYSTEM AS A WHOLE. KNOWN PROCEDURES FOR COMPUTER
      IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ** DIAKOPTICS ** METHOD ARE REVIEWED, AND
      EMPHASIS IS PLACED ON THE USE OF ** DIAKOPTICS ** IN COMBINATION
      WITH THE GAUSSIAN ELIMINATION PROCESS TO SOLVE A FLOW DISTRIBUTION PROBLEM
      ON THE BASIS OF NODAL OR CIRCUITAL (MESH) EQUATIONS.

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Second Example - find the definition of PROP-FAN on RECON.

### Solution

SELECT PROP-FAN in title and abstract and its  
variant PROPFAN in the abstract family

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1      24      24 UTP/PROP **1 FAN
2      27      68 AX/PROP **1 FAN
3      14      22 TX/PROPFAN
4      50      114 1+2+3
DISPLAY
          DISPLAY 04/2/12
          80A35950# ISSUE 14 PAGE 2497 CATEGORY 7 RPT#: AIAA PAPER 80-0995
          LNT#: NAS3-20614 80/06/00 13 PAGES UNCLASSIFIED DOCUMENT
UTTL: ACOUSTIC MEASUREMENTS OF THREE PROP-FAN MODELS
AUTH: A/BROOKS, B. M. PAA: A/UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP., HAMILTON STANDARD
      DIV., WINDSOR LOCKS, CONN.)
CORP: HAMILTON STANDARD DIV., UNITED AIRCRAFT CORP., WINDSOR LOCKS, CONN.
      AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF AERONAUTICS AND ASTRONAUTICS, AEROACOUSTICS
      CONFERENCE, 6TH, HARTFORD, CONN., JUNE 4-6, 1980, 13 P.
MAJS: /*ACOUSTIC MEASUREMENTS/*ENGINE NOISE/*NOISE REDUCTION/*PROPELLER FANS/*
      SCALE MODELS/*TURBOPROP ENGINES
MINS: / FAR FIELDS/ MICROPHONES/ NEAR FIELDS/ SHADOWGRAPH PHOTOGRAPHY/ SHEAR
      LAYERS/ SWEEP ANGLE/ TEST FACILITIES
ABA: (AUTHOR)
ABS: RESULTS OF NASA SPONSORED ACOUSTIC TESTS OF THREE 2 FT. DIAMETER MODELS OF
      THE PROP-FAN (A SMALL DIAMETER, HIGHLY LOADED, MANY-BLADED VARIABLE PITCH
      ADVANCED TURBOPROP) ARE PRESENTED. THE HIGHLY SWEEP MODEL DESIGNED FOR
      NOISE REDUCTION PRODUCES SUBSTANTIALLY LESS NEAR FIELD NOISE AT SIMULATED
      0.8 MACH NUMBER CRUISE CONDITIONS THAN THE UNSWEEP OR SLIGHTLY SWEEP
      MODELS. IT ALSO PRODUCES LESS FAR FIELD NOISE AT CONDITIONS SIMULATING
      TAKEOFF AND LANDING. THE NOISE REDUCTION MECHANISM IS DISCUSSED.
      CORRELATION BETWEEN HARMONIC NOISE MEASUREMENTS AND THEORETICAL
      PREDICTIONS AND BETWEEN MEASURED AND PREDICTED ACOUSTIC PRESSURE PULSES IS
      GOOD. SHADOWGRAPH MEASUREMENTS WHICH SHOW THE LOCATION OF BLADE ASSOCIATED
      WAVE PATTERNS WERE OBTAINED. PREDICTED AND MEASURED WAVE LOCATIONS SHOW
      GOOD GENERAL AGREEMENT. FULL SCALE NEAR AND FAR FIELD NOISE IS PREDICTED.

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## Third Example - find the definition of EFG on RECON.

## Select TX/EFG

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ENTER:
***** AUTOMATIC END SEARCH BYPASS *****
SEARCH TITLE
DATE/FILE 08-14-84/D
***** BEGIN SEARCH BYPASS *****
DATE/FILE 8-14-84/D
PRIMARY DATA BASE ONLINE
SET NO.OF NO.OF DESCRIPTION OF SET
NO. REC. OCC. (+OR, *AND, -=NOT)
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1 40 86 TX/EFG
      DISPLAY 01/2/5
      80A35482 ISSUE 14 PAGE 2576 CATEGORY 44 80/02/80 17 PAGES
      UNCLASSIFIED DOCUMENT
UTIL: ELECTRON-BEAM-INDUCED CURRENT CHARACTERIZATION OF POLYCRYSTALLINE SILICON
      SOLAR CELLS
AUTH: A/HANOKA, J. I. PAA: A/(MOBIL TYCO SOLAR ENERGY CORP., WALTHAM, MASS.)
      (PHOTOVOLTAIC MATERIAL AND DEVICE MEASUREMENTS WORKSHOP, ARLINGTON, VA.,
      JUNE 11-13, 1979.) SOLAR CELLS, VOL. 1, FEB. 1980, P. 123-139.
MAJS: /*CRYSTAL DEFECTS/*ELECTRON BEAMS/*ELECTRON MICROSCOPY/*SOLAR CELLS
MINS: / ENERGY TECHNOLOGY/ GRAIN BOUNDARIES/ IMPURITIES/ ION IMPLANTATION/
      POLYCRYSTALS/ RIBBONS
ABA: (AUTHOR)
ABS: THE USE OF THE ELECTRON-BEAM-INDUCED CURRENT MODE OF THE SCANNING ELECTRON
      MICROSCOPE FOR RECOMBINATION STUDIES IN POLYCRYSTALLINE SILICON SOLAR
      CELLS IS REVIEWED. THE POTENTIAL AND SOME LIMITS OF THE TECHNIQUE ARE
      DISCUSSED. QUANTITATIVE STUDIES AND REPRESENTATIVE RESULTS FOR
      EDGE-DEFINED FILM-FED GROWTH ( ** EFG) ** RIBBON SOLAR CELLS AND
      OTHER KINDS OF SILICON SOLAR CELLS ARE PRESENTED AND COMPARED. QUESTIONS
      CONCERNING RECOMBINATION BY IMPURITIES AND DEFECTS SUCH AS DISLOCATIONS,
      GRAIN BOUNDARIES AND SIC PARTICLES AND THE INTERACTIVE EFFECTS OF ALL
      THESE ARE DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH.

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## RECON Challenges

- (1) Find on RECON the definition or the most closely related terms to the term OVONIC DEVICES. (Hint: Search titles and abstracts for the truncated expression OVONIC: - then use the FREQUENCY command.)
- (2) Find the definition or the meaning of TEA LASER, using text search.

## Solutions to RECON Challenges

Solutions to RECON challenges are on the last page. Do not look at them until you have attempted to solve the challenges.



SOLUTIONS TO RECON CHALLENGESOVONIC DEVICES

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      1      10      14 TX/OVONIC
      2      13      15 ATL/OVONIC
      3      19      29 1+2
TERM FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION - SET 03 - 019 CITATIONS - 00030 SUBJECT TERMS -01
REF SUBJECT TERM FREQ F022 ELECTRICAL IMPEDANCE----- 0002
F001 SWITCHING CIRCUITS----- 0011 F023 GLASS----- 0002
F002 THIN FILMS----- 0008 F024 LASER MATERIALS----- 0002
F003 AMORPHOUS SEMICONDUCTORS-- 0007 F025 OPTICAL PROPERTIES----- 0002
F004 SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES----- 0007 F026 PERFORMANCE TESTS----- 0002
F005 COMPUTER STORAGE DEVICES-- 0005 F027 SWITCHES----- 0002
F006 ELECTRICAL PROPERTIES----- 0005 F028 THRESHOLD GATES----- 0002
F007 SEMICONDUCTING FILMS----- 0005 F029 VOLT-AMPERE CHARACTERISTIC 0002
F008 BIBLIOGRAPHIES----- 0003 S-----
F009 COMPONENT RELIABILITY----- 0003 F030 WAVEFORMS----- 0002
F010 ELECTRIC SWITCHES----- 0003
F011 ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT TESTS 0003
F012 LOGIC CIRCUITS----- 0003
F013 RADIATION EFFECTS----- 0003
F014 SELENIDES----- 0003
F015 SEMICONDUCTORS (MATERIALS) 0003
F016 SWITCHING----- 0003
F017 TIN COMPOUNDS----- 0003
F018 VACUUM DEPOSITION----- 0003
F019 AMORPHOUS MATERIALS----- 0002
F020 BISTABLE CIRCUITS----- 0002
F021 ELECTRIC PULSES----- 0002

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TEA LASERS

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      1      157      180 AX/TEA **1 LASER
      2      58      64 LIMIT 1/73-76
KACC,ABS
FORMAT-DEFINITION ACCEPTED.
SET REC. OCC. DESCRIPTION OF SET
      1      157      180 AX/TEA **1 LASER
      2      58      64 1/73-76

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ENTER:

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      DISPLAY 02/4/13-14 OF 3
76A17548 ABS: A SIMPLE RELIABLE TRANSVERSELY EXCITED ATMOSPHERIC ( **
TEA) LASER ** OPERATING WITH MODERATE REPETITION RATES AT 337 NM USING
COMMERCIAL-GRADE N2 AT 1 ATM IS DESCRIBED. PRELIMINARY RESULTS FOR A RANGE
OF OPERATING VOLTAGES AND CHANNEL SPACINGS ARE PRESENTED. THE LASER'S
PULSE WIDTH IS ABOUT 1 NSEC. BEST ELECTRICAL EFFICIENCY TO DATE IS 0.039%
AT 8.8 KV. AT 24 KV, 335 MICROJOULES/PULSE IS OBTAINED. ABOVE 16.7 KV,
THE UNFOCUSED OUTPUT WILL PUMP A DYE SOLUTION TO SUPERRADIANCE AT A
DISTANCE OF 1.5 M. FOR SUPPLY VOLTAGES LESS THAN 10 KV, A NOVEL
CONFIGURATION FOR PREIONIZATION IS DESCRIBED.
76A11422 ABS: ENERGY TRANSFER THROUGH ABSORBING MEDIA WITH PULSES SHORT
COMPARED WITH THE ACOUSTIC TRANSIT TIME HAS BEEN INVESTIGATED
EXPERIMENTALLY AND THEORETICALLY FOR COLLIMATED BEAMS IN A HOMOGENEOUS
WIND FIELD. TWO EXPERIMENTAL APPROACHES WERE USED: (1) A LOW INTENSITY CW
CO2 LASER PROBE-BEAM TECHNIQUE GIVING A CONTINUOUS RECORD OF THE LENSING
OF THE MEDIUM FOLLOWING THE TRANSMISSION OF A COAXIAL HIGH-POWER **
TEA LASER ** PULSE AND (2) A DIRECT DETERMINATION OF HIGH-POWER
PULSE-TRAIN BLOOMING USING A THERMOFAX-COVERED DRUM. THE EXPERIMENTAL
RESULTS SUPPORT THE PREDICTIONS OF A GEOMETRIC-OPTICS PERTURBATION
SOLUTION AS WELL AS THOSE OF EXISTING PROPAGATION CODES. AN INTERESTING
CASE, ENHANCEMENT RESULTING IN A 20-30% INCREASE OF THE ORIGINAL
NONBLOOMED PEAK INTENSITY, IS OBSERVED WHEN THE PULSE SEPARATION TIME IS
APPROXIMATELY 1 TO 2 TIMES THE WIND-FLOW TIME ACROSS THE BEAM.

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**The Primary and Alternate Data Bases - Why?****The Primary and  
Alternate Data  
Bases - Why?**

A number of new RECON Users have asked why we have the Alternate and Primary Data Bases. Here is the story.

In 1973, a major problem at the Facility was computer power or lack of it - both CPU and storage capability. We were running out of space in the data cell and disk pack area. Mass storage costs were still relatively high and the chances to procure several additional mass storage devices were low. With an impending move, it was deemed unwise to replace the IBM 360/50 with a more powerful device or to add to our offline storage. The old computer room at College Park was already bursting at the seams.

The problem was simply solved by what we then called a "data base split." On August 28, 1974, we split the data base into two major segments.

- a Primary Data Base comprised essentially of accession years 1968 to date (1974)  
(approximately 732,000 accessions)
- an Alternate Data Base comprised essentially of accession years 1962 through 1967  
(approximately 400,000 accessions)

There were several advantages and disadvantages emanating from the data base split. Computer search times were lowered because of the smaller files. The bulk of the search requests had "last five years" parameters that meant only the Primary Data Base had to be searched. The major disadvantage was the necessity to make two searches for a bibliographic query requiring coverage from 1962 to date.



The search queries for the Alternate and Primary Data Bases were different because of the indexing vocabularies. The 1962-1967 segment indexing was based on the old Subject Authority List (SAL for short). This authority list was the predecessor of the NASA Thesaurus. It lacked the current Thesaurus structure such as BT, NT, and RT (Broader, Narrower, and Related Terms) and its entries were based upon the singular term, e.g., Gallium Arsenide Laser instead of Gallium Arsenide Lasers. The NASA Thesaurus with its new ground rules was completed in late 1967 and implemented on January 1, 1968.

One other disadvantage at the time, now virtually forgotten, was the availability of the data bases. Because of the tightness, the Alternate Data Base was only available on Wednesday afternoons. The limited availability caused a delay in delivering search results, particularly for those search requests that were received late Wednesday afternoons or on Thursdays or Fridays. The searches had to be held up and mailed with a "delay notice" after the Primary Data Base searches had been run and mailed. We had double administrative handling tasks when we were forced into that mode.

Shortly after moving to the BWI Airport location the computer CPU and storage problems were solved. The IBM 360/50 was replaced by an IBM 360/65 and our disk storage capacity was expanded. We now have some 6.2 billion bytes of disk storage and have recently added an Augmentation Processor.

There are no plans to merge the two bases into a single data base similar to the one prior to the split. There are also no current plans for further splitting such as 1968 through 1975 and 1976 to date. The Limit All command, of course, fulfills all needs to limit a search for any chronological portion of the file, e.g., LIMIT ALL 79-81, 72-76, etc. See page 3 for makeup of two data bases.





PRIMARY DATA BASE (File Collection D)

<u>File</u>	<u>File Number</u>	<u>Accession Series</u>	<u>Time Period</u>
STAR	119	N-10,000	1968 onward
IAA	115	A-10,000	1968 onward
CSTAR	130	X-10,000	1968 onward
OSTARE	137	N-70,000	1968 onward
OCSTARE	136	X-70,000	1968 onward
TB	117	B-10,000	ALL
R& DCS	138	K-10,000	ALL
RTOP	139	W-70,000	ALL
AOSR	150	M-50,000	ALL
CPA	152	M-10,000	ALL
ASRCRYO	180	D-30,000	ALL
ASRFIRE	181	D-10,000	ALL
ASRMECH	182	D-50,000	ALL

ALTERNATE DATA BASE (File Collection G)

<u>File</u>	<u>File Number</u>	<u>Accession Series</u>	<u>Time Period</u>
STARA	419	N-10,000	1962-67
IAA	415	A-10,000	1963-67
CSTARA	430	X-10,000	1962-67
SSTAR	132	X-50,000	ALL
ASTAR	122	N-90,000	ALL
ACSTAR	135	X-90,000	ALL
OSTAR	121	N-80,000	1962-67
OCSTAR	134	X-80,000	1962-67
NTP	120	N-60,000/70,000	ALL (1962 GAP)
CNTP	133	X-60,000/70,000	ALL (1962 GAP)
LCAMB	116	A-80,000	ALL

- Note: (1) All Tech Briefs are in Primary Data Base because the 1963 - 1967 segment was reindexed using NASA Thesaurus nomenclature.
- (2) All N90 and X90 accessions (administrative documents) do not contain subject indexing and are contained in the Alternate Data Base.

Primary Data Base Accessions  $\approx \frac{3}{1}$   
Alternate Data Base Accessions





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Listing of RECON  
Users as of October  
27, 1981

A listing of all NASA/RECON users grouped by U.S. time zone areas is presented in the attachment. New users since the March issue of the NASA/RECON User's Bulletin are flagged by an asterisk. RECON users at the Facility and the STI Branch of NASA Headquarters have been purposely omitted.

Cancellation of  
Semiannual Indexes

Semiannual Indexes for IAA and STAR have been cancelled for 1982 and thereafter.

Novel Use of Frequency  
Command - by Leslie  
Whitaker of Ames  
Research Center

In her own words, Leslie Whitaker of Ames Research Center desires to share her novel use of RECON.

"I recently tried a gambit on RECON which turned out to be quite useful so I thought I'd pass it along.

Several scientists from Ames were preparing to visit a group of aerospace companies in order to discuss the application of computational fluid dynamic research to actual aircraft design. Prior to the visits some of the scientists spent time browsing through all the normal sources of information about such companies in order to get a picture of their current fields of concentration. I suggested that we could give them a profile of the work done at a given installation by doing a frequency sort on the company as "Corporate Source" on RECON.

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Novel Use of Frequency  
(Cont')

The results turned out to be well received to the point that an additional person was sent in to get a rundown on the companies she would be visiting."

NASA/RECON Basic  
Training Plans

NASA/RECON Basic Training sessions (2 days) will be scheduled at the Facility on December 2 and 3 if sufficient interest is shown. Please communicate your intentions to Mr. Philip F. Eckert, Manager, Information Services Department at the Facility, 301-859-5300, x 374.

Facility Telephone  
Number Change

The Maryland telephone number for the Facility will change on Sunday November 8 from 301-796-5300 to 301-859-5300. The D.C. telephone number 202-621-1910 remains unperturbed.



NASA/RECON Users - October 27, 1981

Pacific Time Zone (23)

California (21)

Ms. Leslie Whitaker Ms. Betty Sherwood	NASA Ames Research Center Moffett Field, CA	415-965-5000
Ms. Karen Puffer	NASA Dryden Flight Research Center Edwards, CA	805-258-3311 Ext. 334
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Mr. Richard Hunt Ms. Berta Keizure	Univ. of California (LLL) Livermore, CA	415-422-5825
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Ms. Jeanne Balikos Ms. Dorothy Webb	Hughes Aircraft Co. Culver City, CA	213-391-0711 Ext. 2615
Mr. Urban Sweeney Ms. Colleen Alexander	General Dynamics San Diego, CA	714-277-8900 Ext. 1073
Ms. Jean Davis Ms. Roberta Shanman Ms. Nan Paik	Rockwell International Corp. Downey, CA	213-922-3807 213-922-1522
Ms. Marie Bangan	Dept. of Air Force-Space Div.* El Segundo, CA	213-643-0443
Ms. Margaret Duncan Ms. Kathy Wright	U.S. Naval Ocean Systems Center* San Diego, CA	714-225-6623
Ms. Fumiko Oiyé	TRW Redondo Beach, CA	213-536-2150

\*New User Since March 1981





Ms. Susan Gentry	Santa Barbara Research Center * Goleta, CA	805-968-3511 Ext. 2542
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Ms. Lorraine Pratt Ms. Elizabeth Gill	SRI International Menlo Park, CA	415-859-9580
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Mr. Bill Jones Ms. Renee Soiffer	Northrop Corporation Hawthorne, CA	213-970-4136

Washington (2)

Ms. Solange V. McIntyre Mr. Fred Rasp	The Boeing Company Seattle, WA	206-773-0584
Ms. Shirley Gydesen	Pacific Northwest Laboratory Richland, WA	509-376-5451

Mountain Time Zone (15)

Arizona (2)

Mr. George Machovec Mr. Vladimir Borovansky	Arizona State University Tempe, AZ	602-965-7608 602-965-7607
Mr. Douglas Jones	University of Arizona* Tucson, AZ	602-626-5193 602-626-3706

Colorado (6)

Ms. Victoria Schneller	NOAA Boulder, CO	303-497-5571
Mr. Jay McKee	Martin Marietta Aerospace Denver, CO	303-973-5512
Ms. Sallie Smith	University of Denver Denver, CO	303-753-2422
Mr. Benedict Lo Bue	University of Colorado* Boulder, CO	303-492-7521

\*New User Since March 1981



Mr. Charles Wenger Mr. William F. Rawson	National Center for Atmos. Res.* Boulder, CO	303-494-5151 Ext. 428
Mr. A. L. Lueck	Colorado State University* Fort Collins, CO	303-491-5911

New Mexico (5)

Mr. Walter Roose	Sandia Labs. Albuquerque, NM	505-264-1080
Ms. Mary Kaye Gallagher	TAC - Univ. of New Mexico Albuquerque, NM	505-277-3622
Mr. J. Arthur Freed	Los Alamos Scientific Lab. Los Alamos, NM	505-667-4448
Mr. Keith Newsome Ms. Georgianna Hillyer Ms. Martha Adamson	AFWL* Kirtland AFB, NM	505-844-0205
Mr. Joe Beltran	White Sands Test Facility* Las Cruces, NM	505-524-5642

Utah (2)

Ms. Ruth A. Frear	University of Utah Salt Lake City, UT	801-581-7702
Ms. Dorothy A. Alley Mr. G. R. Muir	Hercules, Inc.* Magna, UT	801-250-5911 Ext. 2952

Central Time Zone (19)

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### NASA Policy Govern- ing RECON Access

Several inquiries have been received concerning availability of access to NASA/RECON and dissemination of information received from the system. Access is limited to NASA Centers or installations, NASA contractors, universities with NASA contracts or grants, and other government agencies performing work on projects of interest to NASA. Access is limited to the specific site or location that qualifies for access, and use of the system is intended for support of projects that serve to qualify that site for access. Transmission of citations retrieved on RECON to any organization outside of the United States is expressly forbidden without specific approval of the Scientific and Technical Information Branch, NASA Headquarters.

### The Stored Search Feature on NASA/RECON

The Stored Search feature is an exceptionally powerful capability on NASA's online retrieval system. Skillfully employed, the feature will render an SDI service second to none.

All users are reminded that storage exists for each one of them to store up to 50 searches. The number of sets for each stored search cannot exceed 49.

Users who have had some advanced training are more likely to exploit the stored search capability than those who have not had such training. For indoctrination of those who have not experimented with the feature, we recommend that they take advantage of the NASAPUBS profile stored at the Facility on terminal number ID43.

ENTER: Q EXECUTE NASAPUBS(ID43)

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### The Stored Search Feature (Cont.)

and watch the continuous development through 12 sets. The final set, Set 12, means that there is currently a grand total of 1682 SP's (Special Publications), RP's (Reference Publications), and CP's (Conference Publications) in the system (on the primary data base). As mentioned in NASA/RECON User's Bulletin 81/1 for January, these documents represent the cream of NASA's documentation efforts.

Combine the final set (Set 12) with any subject of your choice.

Example: Find a high quality document (SP, RP, or CP)  
on Lightning Protection of Aircraft

Answer: 78N11024 NASA RP-1008

### NASA/RECON Training Plans

#### Basic Training

The NASA/RECON basic training session planned for December 2 and 3 has been rescheduled for January 19 and 20, 1982.

#### Advanced Training

A two-day NASA/RECON advanced training session is planned to be held in February or March to serve the users located in the West/Southwest (Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Utah, and Colorado). Users located in this geographical area are requested to advise Mr. Philip F. Eckert at the Facility, 301-859-5300, if they could attend and what would be the most desirable location. A host site is needed and anyone who will volunteer to be the host will be gratefully appreciated.

### Corrections to List- ing of RECON Users as of October 27, 1981

Please make the corrections as indicated in the attachment to the listing contained in RECON User's Bulletin 81/10.



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### NASA Thesaurus Online

Many users have inquired when the new edition of the NASA Thesaurus will be published. Some may not realize that the NASA Thesaurus is available online on RECON and is updated daily. Except for the generic structure and the Access Vocabulary the online thesaurus offers all the information that is in the printed Thesaurus plus daily updates.

Access to the online Thesaurus is simple and can be done by either of the following basic commands.

#### THESAURUS STRUCTURE EXPAND

X TS/Valid thesaurus term

#### PRIMARY & SECONDARY EXPAND

X Desired term (resulting in an alphabetical display and capability of secondary and further expansion)

(X ST/ May also be used just like primary expand except in File Collections F, I, & M)

#### THESAURUS STRUCTURE EXPAND

The Thesaurus structure expand command gives direct access to the Thesaurus structure and postings of any valid term. The Thesaurus structure expand may not be used in the F File Collection, however, primary expand will default into the LT expansion. To get the Thesaurus structure and postings for books in the F File Collection, X ST/ term must be used. Only the initial term in the expansion is selectable. Postings listed for the first item are for books and subsequent postings are for books and documents

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and cannot be selected from the expansion. To select a Thesaurus term and its postings from the expansion you must use the command X ST/valid term.

You may use X TS/ in A,B,C,D,E,G,H,I,M, and N File Collections.

D and N File Collections

ENTER:  
X TS/THESAURI

REF	EXPAND TS/THESAURI DESCRIPTOR	TP	OCC	TS
R01	-ST/THESAURI-----	N	40	5
R02	RT/INDEXES (DOCUMENT ATION)-----	N	2436	21
R03	RT/INFORMATION RETRI EVAL-----	N	4269	19
R04	RT/TERMINOLOGY-----	N	310	4
R05	RT/TERMS-----	N	33	2
R06	RT/WORDS (LANGUAGE)-	N	475	24

ENTER:

Please note X TS/valid term in the N File Collection does not give postings for books; it gives the same expansion that is in the D File Collection. Combined postings for books and documents may be found with a primary and secondary expansion (X term, then X ref. no. or X term, then X ref. no.)

G File Collection

ENTER:  
X TS/THESAURI

REF	EXPAND TS/THESAURI DESCRIPTOR	TP	OCC	TS
R01	-ST/THESAURI-----		0	0
R02	RT/INDEXES (DOCUMENT ATION)-----	N	6	21
R03	RT/INFORMATION RETRI EVAL-----	B	313	19
R04	RT/TERMINOLOGY-----	B	92	4
R05	RT/TERMS-----		0	0
R06	RT/WORDS (LANGUAGE)-	N	24	24

ENTER:

NOTE: Even though a term is not used in the G File Collection, it is listed in the structure.



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Reference numbers (E01,R01) may be used to further expand the term desired. The descriptor in this case is equivalent to the thesaurus term. (TP) stands for thesaurus type, (N = New, O = Old, B = Both, U = Use). A "New" thesaurus type may be found in either the D file or the G file, and may be expanded for structure in either the D or the G file. An "Old" thesaurus term is found only in the G File Collection and may not be expanded for structure. Many terms listed in the G File Collection are in the singular rather than plural and structures can be found by looking for the terms in the plural. "Both" type terms may be expanded for structure.

PRIMARY & SECONDARY EXPAND

Experience has shown that unless the user is positive that the term is valid, it is best to use the primary and secondary expand. The additional step required in this approach often reveals related terms in the alphabetical expansion and insures the selection of the proper term.

D. File Collection

ENTER:  
X TERMS

REF	EXPAND ST/TERMS DESCRIPTOR	TP	OCC	TS	ED9	ST/TERNARY SYSTEMS (		
E01	ST/TERMINAL VELOCITY	N	178	3		DIGITAL)-----U	0	1
E02	ST/TERMINALS-----	N	94	7	E10	ST/TERPENES-----N	37	6
E03	ST/TERMINATING-----	U	0	1	E11	ST/TERPHENYLS-----N	31	1
E04	ST/TERMINATOR LINES--	N	96	5	E12	ST/TERRACES (LANDFOR		
E05	ST/TERMINOLOGY-----	N	308	4		MS)-----N	8	10
E06	-ST/TERMS-----	N	33	2	E13	ST/TERRADYNAMICS----N	143	4
E07	ST/TERNARY ALLOYS----	N	1373	2	E14	ST/TERRAIN-----N	753	5
E08	ST/TERNARY SYSTEMS--	N	674	4	E15	ST/TERRAIN ANALYSIS--N	2456	13

MORE  
ENTER:

X E6

REF	EXPAND ST/TERMS DESCRIPTOR	TP	OCC	TS
R01	-ST/TERMS-----	N	33	2
R02	RT/INFORMATION THEOR			
	Y-----	N	3769	43
R03	RT/THESAURI-----	N	40	5

ENTER:

NOTE: Terminology might also be looked at even though it is not in the Thesaurus structure for terms.

An almost endless chain of term structures can be revealed by expanding the appropriate reference number of the previous structure. Thus R02 Information theory could be expanded and its references expanded. This technique simulates paging through the printed NASA Thesaurus.



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line (Cont.)

## OTHER FEATURES

A little used feature of the online thesaurus is the ability to specify term codes. This way the user can get only the part of the structure that is of interest. If you are only interested in related terms simply,

X TS/Term\*RT

The following codes may be used,

Narrower term    NT

Broader term    BT

Related term    RT

Used-For        UF

Use             US

The user might also be interested in the number of postings for the major or minor terms. This may be done as follows;

X MJ/TERM

X MN/TERM

If the structure of the term is desired it may be obtained by expanding the E number but it will give postings for both Major and Minor terms not just a structure with Major terms only or Minor terms only.

As mentioned before, Thesaurus structure may be accessed in other files. In file collections A,B,C,E,H, the structures are the same but the postings contain fewer items since these files are part of larger files.

In the ASRDI File Collection (I) the alphabetical display can only be expanded further when there are one or more numbers in the TS column. Most terms without a TS number that are the 0 type are not valid in other files. Only the primary expand command will work and the result is actually to default to the AST/prefix rather than the ST or RT prefix. It is a hybrid Thesaurus display since it contains terms not valid in other files.

In the NALNET Periodicals File Collection (M), X/TERM and X TS/TERM commands will default to the PTX or all text fields. If you want the Periodical Subject Category you must use X PSC/(Subject Category Term). These subject categories are not NASA Thesaurus terms and therefore cannot be expanded for a structure.





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When the new printed NASA Thesaurus is published in the spring in 1982, it will contain structures for over 20,000 terms and over 150,000 cross references in BT, NT, and RT categories.

**Discontinuance of  
Computer Program  
Abstracts (CPA)**

The quarterly abstract journal Computer Program Abstracts announcing software and documentation from COSMIC has been discontinued. However, items selected by COSMIC will continue to be entered into the RECON data base, and can be searched in the M10K series in File Collection D. An annual catalog is available from COSMIC in microfiche (at 48:1). It is planned to include the catalog on RECON at a later date.

Users looking for computer programs are advised to search the M series with follow-up searches or requests directly to COSMIC at the following address:

COSMIC  
Computer Software Management  
& Information Center  
112 Barrow Hall  
University of Georgia  
Athens, GA 30602

Telephone (404) 542-3265

**Research and Tech-  
nology Objectives  
and Plans - FY 1982**

RTOP for FY 1982 is undergoing preparation at NASA Headquarters and the Facility while this bulletin is being drafted. The NASA data base will be loaded as the RTOP publication nears completion. Estimated schedule for it looks like this:

- o Camera-ready copy to GPO and concomitant loading of STIMS/RECON data base - April 1982
- o Delivery of production copies to NTIS for sale to the public with advertising contained in several issues of the Commerce Business Daily - April 1982
- o Announcement in STAR - April or May 1982

The annual RTOP is extremely useful for locating brief descriptions of and trends in NASA research. The NASA Scientific and Technical Information Branch at NASA Headquarters has recognized the publication's importance by including a one-page special notice in the front matter of the STAR issue that contains the abstract and citation for the RTOP.



**Research and Technology Objectives and Plans - FY 1982 (Cont.)**

Those users who are unfamiliar with RTOP's are advised to peruse N81-19959 on page 1422 of STAR 10; or simply display N81-19959. (NOTE: RTOP is the acronym for Research and Technology Objectives and Plans.)

**Holiday Greetings**

The Scientific and Technical Information Branch at NASA Headquarters joins the NASA Scientific and Technical Facility in extending holiday greetings to the NASA User Community.

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**NASA/RECON Advanced  
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Advanced training workshops will be held in the Mountain  
Time Zone area as follows:

March 22-23, 1982 (Mon. & Tues.)

University of Denver  
Penrose Library  
University Park  
Denver, CO 80208

Denver Univ. Contact is  
Ms. Patricia Fischer or  
Ms. Salleye Smith  
303-753-2422

The Denver sessions are intended principally for the 7 Colorado  
users, 2 Oklahoma users, and one Missouri user. Others may  
attend on a space available basis.

March 24-25, 1982 (Wed. & Thurs.)

University of Arizona  
Main Library  
Tucson, AZ 85721

Arizona Univ. Contact is  
Mr. Douglas Jones  
602-626-5193

The Tucson sessions are intended principally for the 2 Arizona  
users, 3 Utah users, 3 New Mexico, and one or two users from  
California and Washington. Others may attend on a space avail-  
able basis.

Organizations planning to send one or more representatives to  
these workshops are requested to inform Mr. Philip F. Eckert  
at the Facility of their plans (301-859-5300, ext. 363 or 374).

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D. C. 20546).





**NTIS Price Changes**

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### The Display Order of RECON Accessions

In 1970, when the NASA data base was relatively small and some four years before the data base was split into the Prime (Primary) and Alternate Data Bases (1974), the sort order by Accession Series for displaying and printing was developed by the RECON system designers. The original sequencing of accessions, in descending accession number order by series, carried over into the Primary and Alternate Data Bases as shown below.

#### Primary Data Base (1968 to date, except for B10K)

K10K	K10000	R&D Contract Search File
B10K	B10000	Tech Briefs (All, 1963 to date)
M10K	M10000	Computer Program Abstracts
X70K	X70000	Limited or Classified Accessions of Limited Significance
X10K	X10000	Limited or Classified Accessions in LSTAR
W70K	W70000	RTOP's
A10K	A10000	International Aerospace Abstracts
N70K	N70000	Unclassified/Unlimited Accessions of Limited Significance
N10K	N10000	STAR

NOTE: IAA and STAR accessions are displayed or printed third from last and last, respectively.

DISPLAY 99/1/1-9  
 81K10500 78B10050 80M10001 77X70500 80X10012 80W70400 79A12000 81N71000  
 78N10005

Accession Series Order of Display  
-Primary Data Base-



The Display Order  
of RECON Accessions  
(Cont.)

Alternate Data Base (1962-1967, except for X90K and N40K)

X90K	X90000	Limited or Classified Accessions for Record only (All, 1963 to date)
N90K	N90000	Unclassified or Unlimited Accessions for Record only (All, 1963 to date)
X80K	X80000	Limited or Classified Accessions of Limited Significance
X10K	X10000	Limited or Classified Accessions in CSTAR
W10K	W10000	Research Resumes - predecessor of RTOP's
A10K	A10000	International Aerospace Abstracts
N70K	N70000	Unclassified GAP - NASA SP-9
N60K	N60000	Unclassified GAP - NASA SP-9
N80K	N80000	Unclassified and Unlimited Accessions of Limited Significance
N10K	N10000	STAR

DISPLAY 99/1/1-9  
80X90001 81N90002 66X80500 65X10001 70W10005 64A10007 62N63902 67N80001  
66N10001

Accession Series Order of Display  
-Alternate Data Base-

In both data bases, IAA and STAR accessions are displayed and printed near the end of the display or printed output.

The user can easily overcome the "lateness" of displaying IAA and STAR accessions by use of the limit command.

Assume that Set 10 contains several series - the user can limit Set 10 in several ways in order to have the IAA and STAR Accessions displayed or printed before the other accessions.

First

L 10//A,N

or

Second

L 10//A followed by

L 10//N/10001-35000

Reiterating, there are several methods the user can employ to have the STAR and IAA material display early. One method that should not be overlooked is to select File Collection A, which contains only IAA and STAR.

The K,B,X,W, and other non-A and non-N accessions can be searched or selected by use of the limit command or the NOT Command.





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### New RECON Equipment

As of the last week of February, RECON has been operating in a production environment on two relatively new pieces of equipment at the Facility, namely, the IBM-4341 computer, utilizing the MVS (Multiple Virtual Storage) operating system, and the COMTEM 3690 Front End Processor. Prior to this date, RECON had run on the IBM-360/65, under the MVT (Multiprogramming Variable Tasks) operating system and communications were handled by the TELEFILE Front End Processor. The conversion effort was initiated in the spring of 1981 to upgrade RECON to the current state-of-the-art, employ more reliable hardware, free its dependency from an operating system (MVT) no longer supported by the vendor, and enable RECON to take advantage of faster I/O devices and faster channel speed. The conversion effort was a major software development task, largely concentrated on the communications interface the terminal user has with RECON.

With the new hardware and software operational, we fully anticipate more reliability and increased availability of RECON service to the user community. We also expect a few problems to crop up in the next few months until the program anomalies have surfaced and been resolved. We therefore ask your indulgence and cooperation in assisting us by notifying the RECON Coordinator if you notice any problems.

### The Art of Procuring Documents for NASA Users

The title of this article could be expanded to include all users throughout the world. In the quest for information we usually locate initially the references to the articles, documents or books that we need for our professions or for enjoyment. NASA/RECON, STAR, IAA, SCAN and other information dispensers provide us with surrogates - substitutes for the articles, documents we desire to skim, read, or extract from.

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## 1. Art of Procuring Documents (Cont.)

NASA services, particularly RECON, provide good leads to the hard-core material we need. The procuring of documents or books is an art in itself, and the art can be most readily executed by the resident experts. An engineer in Lab X who has never heard of NTIS, ESA, IAA, a PB or an AD number would be wasting his time in trying to obtain a document or documents on his own. He or she should make known his or her needs at the central service point (usually a library or tech information center) and let the experts obtain the required materials.

Admittedly, there will always be problems. How many times have we heard this type of request? We need a document on lasers, written by an author by the name of Smith, around 1966-1969.... (The British classify this type as an "awkward request"). But given an accession number, part of a title, or a good author, the expert is off to a fast start.

The NASA series designations were developed to assist the information dispensers or brokers and the bench users. Let us review some of the highlights:

- o N means publicly available, e.g., N82-10001.
- o X means a distribution limitation or a security-classified limitation, e.g., X81-10002.
- o A means an "open" literature item, (journal or periodical), announced in International Aerospace Abstracts (IAA), e.g., A80-12345.

The general ground rule is that almost all N items are available for purchase through NTIS (National Technical Information Service in Springfield, Virginia); and almost all A items are available for purchase through the Technical Information Service of AIAA in New York. NTIS and AIAA are staffed to process large volumes of requests and to handle cash whereas some agencies cannot.

The expert document procurer knows immediately that the prefix AD connotes a DoD document; that PB (an abbreviation for 'Publication Board', dating back some 30 years) means that the document was processed at NTIS for agencies other than DoD or NASA.

Nothing is more frustrating to the procurer and user than to wind up with the wrong document. To reduce the number of mis-orders, NTIS instituted the "check digit" concept in 1975. For example, PB-201149 is listed by NTIS as PB-201149/1. The 1 after the slash is the check digit and is derived by an algorithm based on the six preceding digits.

If in the ordering process the last two digits, 49, had been transposed to 94, the check digit most likely would not have been a 1. If the transposition had occurred NTIS would have returned the order to the requesting agency for verification. In other





# Part of Procuring Documents (Cont.)

words, the use of check digits has reduced significantly the mis-ordering of documents, and in some cases, books.

For data validation purposes, the International Standard Book Number (ISBN) is a number that identifies one title or edition of that title if there is more than one. The construction of the ISBN is explained in British Standard BS 4762:1971. The check digit issued for verification to ensure against errors in transcription. Its calculation is interesting and simple:

- A. Each digit in the group is multiplied by a "weight." The first is multiplied by 10, the second by 9, the third by 8, etc.

For example: (Carl Sagan's COSMOS - the ISBN is 0-394-50294-9)

0	-	3	9	4	-	5	0	2	9	4	-	9	....ISBN
10		9	8	7		6	5	4	3	2			....weights

- B.  $0 + 27 + 72 + 28 + 30 + 0 + 8 + 27 + 8 = 200$  (sum)

- C. Result is divided by 11

$200 \div 11 = 18$  with a remainder of 2

- D. The remainder is subtracted from 11

$11 - 2 = 9$  (the check digit)

If the result of subtracting the remainder from 11 is 10, the check digit is written as X in order to maintain the ISBN at a standard length of ten digits.

- E. The check digit becomes the suffix to the other nine digits, e.g., ISBN 0-394-50294-9

Summarizing, plead with and encourage your users to submit their document requirements to their central service point. The experts there know how to procure the wanted documents. Some of the requested material may be in hardcopy or microfiche locally, thus obviating the need for telephone or written requests or purchase orders. Let your clientele know that procurement of documents and books, many of them out of print or resting in archives, is an art unto itself, with the best experts at the center service point.

## NASA/RECON Basic Training

The next NASA/RECON Basic Training Workshop will be held at the Facility on May 18 and 19 provided a quorum of between 7 and 10 users can be assembled. All users who are interested are requested to inform Mr. Philip F. Eckert at the Facility of their plans for the May training sessions (301-859-5300, Ext. 363 or 374).





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Five copies of a command guide for NALNET (NASA Library Network) are forwarded with this bulletin. Copies of a phototypeset, improved version will be distributed to the field within the next 45 days...probably with the June RECON User's Bulletin.

NASA/RECON Advanced  
Training

Two two-day RECON advanced training sessions were held in the Mountain Time Zone areas as follows:

### Denver, Colorado

- o March 22-23, at the University of Denver for 21 employees representing the University of Denver, University of Colorado (Boulder), Colorado State University (Ft. Collins), National Center for Atmospheric Research (Boulder), USAF Academy (Colorado Springs), NOAA (Boulder), Martin Marietta Aerospace (Denver), NSRL (Bay St. Louis, MS), Hercules Inc., (Magna, UT), Thiokol (Brigham City, UT), and the Pacific Northwest Laboratories (Richland, WA).

### Tucson, Arizona

- o March 24-25, at the University of Arizona for 14 employees representing the University of Arizona, Arizona State University, Kirtland Air Force Base, (NM), White Sands Test Facility (NM), California Institute of Technology (Pasadena, CA), USAF School of Aerospace Medicine (Brooks Air Force Base, TX), Vandenberg Air Force Base (CA), and General Dynamics (San Diego, CA).

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NASA/RECON Advanced  
Training (CONT.)

The training was received with enthusiasm in both cities. Many of the trainees praised the versatility of NASA/RECON and considered the Frequency Command and Stored Search capability an outstanding addition.

NASA Headquarters and the Facility again wish to express their appreciation to Ms. Salleye Smith of the University of Denver and Mr. Douglas Jones of the University of Arizona for their able and efficient hosting of the RECON briefing and training sessions.

NACA Annual Reports

The Facility's collection of NACA Annual Reports (Technical Report Versions) is 59 percent complete. Offers from RECON Users who have spare copies of the following annual reports will be gratefully accepted.

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS  
(With Technical Reports)

1918 Fourth Annual Report  
1919 Fifth Annual Report  
1920 Sixth Annual Report  
1921 Seventh Annual Report  
1922 Eighth Annual Report  
1923 Ninth Annual Report  
1925 Eleventh Annual Report  
1926 Twelfth Annual Report  
1927 Thirteenth Annual Report  
1928 Fourteenth Annual Report  
1931 Eighteenth Annual Report  
1932 Nineteenth Annual Report  
1933 Twentieth Annual Report  
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New HELP Data

Listings of searchable fields with mnemonics for each NASA File Collection are now available for display. Enter HELP and transmit. A list of RECON commands will appear for which an explanation is available. Among these are the "SEARCH COLL-" commands for each NASA File Collection. An example follows:

ENTER:HELP SEARCH COLL-A

EXPLANATORY TEXT FOR X005

SEARCHABLE FIELD MNEMONICS FOR FILE COLLECTION 1 OR A (IAA AND STAR FILES)

TEXT SEARCHABLE FIELDS	IAA	STAR	NONTEXT SEARCHABLE FIELDS	IAA	STAR	
TEXT FIELDS*	(S)	TX	TX	DCAF NUMBER	DC	DC
ABSTRACT	(SM)	AX	AX	REPORT NUMBER	RN	RN
ANALYTICAL ITEM	(SM)	AI	AI	PERSONAL AUTHOR	AU	AU
ANALYTICAL NOTE	(SM)	AL	AL	CONTRACT NUMBER	CN	CN
DATA SUMMARY	(SM)	DS	DS	CORPORATE SOURCE	CO	CO
USE STATEMENT	(SM)	SU	SU	SUBJECT TERMS***	ST	ST
ALL TITLE FIELDS**	(S)	ATL	ATL	MAJOR TERMS	MJ	MJ
UNCLASSIFIED TITLE	(SM)	UTP	UTP	MINOR TERMS	MN	MN
TITLE SUPPLEMENT	(SM)	TSP	TSP	DATA TERMS	DT	DT
TITLE EXTENSION	(SM)	TEP	TEP			
NOTATION OF CONTENT	(SM)	NOC	NOC			

(S): A SINGLE WORD PARAMETER MUST BE USED WITH THE MNEMONIC.

(SM): A SINGLE OR MULTIPLE WORD PARAMETER CAN BE USED WITH THE MNEMONIC. MULTIPLE WORDS CAN BE EITHER PHRASE OR PROXIMITY TYPE ENTRIES.

\*TX INCLUDES ALL FIELDS UNDER TEXT FIELDS.

\*\*ATL INCLUDES ALL FIELDS UNDER ALL TITLE FIELDS.

\*\*\*ST INCLUDES ALL FIELDS UNDER SUBJECT TERMS.

ENTER:





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**JA/RECON Basic  
Training**

A two-day RECON basic training workshop was held at the Facility on May 18 and 19 for 21 employees representing the following organizations:

Goddard Institute of Space Studies	New York, NY
NASA Headquarters	Washington, D.C.
Naval Surface Weapons Center	Dahlgren, VA
Naval Surface Weapons Center	White Oak, MD
USAF Space Division	Los Angeles, CA
USAF Western Space & Missile Center	Vandenberg AFB, CA
USAF Institute of Technology	Wright-Patterson AFB, OH
Pennsylvania State University	College Station, PA
AVCO Lycoming Division	Stratford, CT
NASA Facility	BWI Airport, MD

Future training sessions will be announced in the RECON User's Bulletins. At the moment there are no plans for the conducting of training in June or July.





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### The QUERY Command

The QUERY Command technology was developed as a stored search sequence capability that allows the user to create and save permanently the command sequences, and, subsequently, to initiate execution of the stored sequence. Each dedicated and dial-in terminal has the capacity for storing up to 50 unique searched or profiles.

The QUERY technology was not developed as a communications (Message Sending/Electronic Mail) medium between NASA Centers or other organizations. To do so is a misuse of resources allocated to the RECON network and can degrade responsiveness of the system. Effective upon receipt of this bulletin, all users are requested to limit use of RECON, specifically, the stored search or QUERY technology, to that purpose for which it is designed.

### New UTS-400 Features

Four new features have been added to the RECON for use on the UTS-400. These are RECALL, REPEAT, TAB and QUERY (subcommand expansions).

RECALL. Depressing the space bar when the cursor is at the beginning of the command line causes the previously transmitted command to be displayed on the command line. It can then be transmitted again, changed and transmitted, noted, or ignored. The command line does not have to be erased to perform this function. In addition to corrections and changes, this enhancement is also useful when the previously transmitted command differs slightly from the next command to be transmitted. Recalling the previous command and changing the appropriate part is often faster than typing the whole command again.



REPEAT. The REPEAT command function recalls the last command transmitted, as described above, and automatically retransmits it. The XFER key, second key from the right end of the second row, is used for this function. This has been found to be particularly useful for retransmitting the "DISPLAY" or "DISPLAY-" commands since only one key need be depressed for each display request.

TAB. The TAB BACK and TAB FWD keys to the left and right of the space bar can be used to move the cursor left and right, respectively, twelve spaces at a time during the typing of RECON commands. Previously, these commands and the CURSOR TO HOME and RETURN keys returned the cursor to the beginning of the command line. This enhancement speeds up the positioning of the cursor when making corrections to changes to a command. The use of the tab keys while filling out the begin or end search forms are not affected by this enhancement.

QUERY. The abbreviations for the QUERY subcommands have been combined with the abbreviations for QUERY (i.e. Q) for forming several new abbreviations that are automatically expanded by the UTS-400 in the same manner as all other RECON commands. The letter Q is no longer expanded to the word QUERY. The rule for forming the new abbreviations is to type the letter "Q" followed immediately by the first two letters of the subcommand. For example, the abbreviations for QUERY EDIT would be QED. For convenience and when possible, some QUERY commands can be expanded by typing only two letters -- a "Q" followed by the first letter of the subcommand. These are QA for QUERY ALTER, AL for QUERY LIST, QM for QUERY MEMBER, QQ for QUERY QUIT, QR for QUERY REPLACE, and QS for QUERY SAVE. The space bar must be depressed prior to transmitting in order to expand the abbreviations. Whether a two- or three-letter abbreviation is required, you can always try typing two letters and if it is not valid the UTS-400 will detect it. Just backspace and type the appropriate third letter followed by a space. You may prefer using the three-letter version all the time since this will always generate an expanded version.

The above enhancements will be available for downline loading on July 1, 1982. All one needs to do is type LOAD and hit the XMIT key on the primary or master terminal station. A "LOAD INITIATED...PLEASE WAIT FOR COMPLETION" message should appear at the bottom of the screen. Shortly thereafter, a "RECON MODE ACTIVE" message should appear at the bottom of the screen and a "\*\*\*\*\*LOAD COMPLETED...CONTINUE PROCESSING\*\*\*\*\*" message should appear at the top of the screen. If, instead of these two messages an "ERROR IN REQUESTED LOAD" message appears at the top of the screen, you might not be at a primary or master terminal. Try another terminal. If all the terminals in your UTS-400 cluster produce negative results, contact the RECON coordinator for assistance.



## UTS-400 Features in Progress

The next UTS-400 enhancement release will provide the operator with the ability to:

- (1) type two or more commands before transmitting,
- (2) create and store command sequences (i.e., one or more commands) in local memory,
- (3) transmit locally stored command sequences,
- (4) create and edit stored searches (i.e., queries) using the word processing features of the UTS-400,
- (5) select a SPECIFY FORMAT 4 mode







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Monthly UPDATE for  
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An experimental project is being developed and tested to provide monthly UPDATES for new NASA R&D contracts. Thus, Principal Investigators (PI) would be supplied with the latest references in the area of the contract. The UPDATES may be sent directly to the PI or through the library. For the immediate future, the tests conducted by the Facility will be limited to selected 1982 K-file accessions covering new contracts issued by NASA Headquarters, Langley, and Ames.

If other Centers wish to participate, follow this procedure. Obtain your Center listing of 1982 K accessions from the Facility. Prepare profiles for selected contracts using the QUERY command and store them on RECON. Upon completion, inform the Information Services Department in writing at the Facility (or call Ext. 232) that your Center wants the profiles or queries (by name) processed on a monthly basis. Profiling assistance is available at any time from the Facility from Hal Wynne, Edna Fleek, June Silvester, Bill Owens or Phil Eckert.

Similarly, contractors with RECON access may develop their own profiles using the QUERY command procedures. The profiling assistance mentioned in the foregoing paragraph is also available to all contractor users. The auxiliary monthly profile entitled STOREMAY, STOREJUN, STOREJUL, etc., which limits each profile to the monthly accessions, is normally ready for use by the fifth of each month. Its application to field user profiles will be readily explained to all interested contractor users upon request. All contractors will be responsible for processing their monthly UPDATES.

New High Density  
Technology Storage  
(IBM-3380 DASD)

The NASA STI Facility recently completed an upgrade to its Direct Access Storage Devices (DASD) that contain the RECON/STIM data base files. This storage represents the very latest in thin-film,

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high-density storage technology. In February of 1982, the Facility initiated an acquisition plan for procurement of two IBM-3380 DASD units and one IBM-3380 Storage Control Unit. The new equipment was installed on June 14, and contains approximately 5 billion bytes of storage. The 3380's replaced eight IBM-2314's and six 3330's and resulted in a net increase of 2.2 billion bytes over the previous configuration. The total storage at the Facility is now 9.0 billion bytes.

The new storage configuration has resulted in an overall increase of random access storage, increased performance characteristics, a 44 percent reduction in electrical power for operation, a 59 percent reduction in power consumption for air conditioning and a net reduction of floor space requirements by 100 square feet. The STI Facility is one of the first NASA sites to acquire the IBM-3380's and in fact their acquisition required a waiver from the Department of Commerce as the 3380's have not yet been adopted in the National Bureau of Standards ADP standards.

ASA STI Facility  
ost to NHCC

The NASA STI Facility is currently playing host to the NASA Headquarters Computer Center (NHCC).

Rehabilitation of air conditioning at the NHCC necessitated relocating most of the ADP equipment to a different site for approximately 3 months. The NASA STI Facility was chosen as the most cost effective practical location and the equipment was moved on July 16.

Everyone involved was committed to accomplishing this task without impact to the STI products and services especially online access to NASA/RECON. We were successful.

ASA Headquarters  
eorganization

You have probably heard about the recent NASA Headquarters reorganization. We are certain you will be happy to know that the integrity of the STI program was maintained and no impact on STI products or services is expected. The STI Branch was reassigned intact to the new Logistics Management and Information Programs Division headed by Lawrence W. Vogel. Colonel Vogel's long association with the space program and his interest in scientific and technical information foretells a vibrant and cost effective information dissemination program.

Louis N. Lushina, previously Director of the Information Systems Division of which the STIB was a part, has been appointed to the position of Assistant Associate Administrator for Management. Mr. Lushina's continued dedication and support of the NASA STI program is assured.





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## 1200 Baud TTY Support

The highly recommended capability of 1200 baud access for NASA RECON dial-in users is now a reality. By dialing 301-621-2950 direct, you may now access RECON with 300 or 1200 baud modems that are Bell 103, 113, or 212 compatible. The 621-2950 rotary will automatically adjust to a user coming in on 300 or 1200 baud. This means that in addition to supporting our 300 baud users in the normal manner, users that have a Bell 212 compatible modem may now access RECON at 1200 baud using the same telephone number.

For Racal Vadic 34XX series (with 1200 baud modems), RECON can be accessed by dialing 301-621-2958.

Telenet users now have 1200 baud support. To access Telenet at 1200 baud, dial the Telenet Bell 1200 number or Vadic 1200 number, whichever is closer to your city.

## Revision of SP-449

The special publication entitled "A Catalog of NASA Special Publications" is undergoing revision. The new edition will include SP's (Special Publications), CP's (Conference Publications) and RP (Reference Publications) that have been added to the NASA data base since June 1981. The revised edition, scheduled to be published this fall, will contain about 1,400 entries, and will be indexed using the 75 subject categories of STAR, NASA's abstract journal.

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**Purging of Unused  
Stored Searches**

Users who have created stored searches that have served their purpose or are no longer used are encouraged to purge them from their reserved spaces.

**NASA/RECON Basic  
Training**

NASA/RECON Basic Training sessions (2 days) will be scheduled at the Facility on October 25 and 26 (Monday and Tuesday) if sufficient interest is shown. These two days are immediately before the DTIC Annual Users Conference in Alexandria and three calendar days after the annual ASIS meeting, scheduled this year in Columbus, Ohio.

Please communicate your intentions to Mr. Philip F. Eckert, Manager, Information Services Department at the Facility, 301-859-5300, X374.

**NASA/RECON Advanced  
Training**

A two-day NASA/RECON Advanced Training session is planned to be held for users in the South or the Southeast in mid-December. Users located in this geographical area are requested to advise Mr. Philip F. Eckert (301-859-5300, X374) if they could attend and what would be the most desirable location. A host site is needed and anyone who will volunteer to be the host will be greatly appreciated.







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### NASA Thesaurus

The two-volume 1982 edition of the NASA Thesaurus will be available from NASA and NTIS in November as NASA SP-7051. Volume 1, the Hierarchical Listing, consists of 840 pages - listing over 20,000 terms and cross references and their hierarchies, totalling over 155,000 entries. The detail of the hierarchies is easily illustrated by the term SATELLITES, which has some 500 Broader, Narrower, and Related terms.

Volume 2, the Access Vocabulary, consisting of some 40,000 entries, is a unique tool providing access to any word including numeric 'words' in the term by utilizing a permuted index. In addition to the regular permutations that are computer generated, intellectually identified 'words' that contain 'word' or 'words' within the word are made accessible through manual coding. Other word entries such as chemical abbreviations and abbreviation of states are also included.

Users registered with NASA for either STAR, Aerospace Medicine and Biology, or Aeronautical Engineering, or RECON publications will receive copies by automatic distribution. All online RECON users will also receive copies by automatic distribution.

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### SuDocs Classification Numbers - A Cautionary Note

Commencing in STAR 11 last June, the SuDocs Classification Numbers have been included in the citations for NASA-sponsored documents. Listed below are five samples of these numbers. Note the lack of hyphens after NAS, the appearance of a colon before a group of three to six digits...and the matching of these digits with the NASA report number.

ENTER:  
D 3/4

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      DISPLAY 03/4/1-5 OF 5
82N21118 81/00/00 RPT#: NASA-SP-453 NAS 1.21:453 LC-81-600116
82N20494 82/03/00 RPT#: NASA-CP-2220 NAS 1.55:2220
82N20326 73/04/00 RPT#: NASA-CR-161227 NAS 1.25:161227
32N20238 82/03/00 RPT#: NASA-TP-1998 NAS 1.60:1998 N-376
32N20197 62/02/00 RPT#: NASA-TM-84214 A-8824 NAS 1.15:84214

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Do not attempt to SELECT a document with the SELECT command using the SuDocs number. The colon will treat your SELECT command as a "root" search. Again, always EXPAND the SuDocs number and SELECT the E reference.

### NASA/RECON Training Plans

#### Basic Training

Basic NASA/RECON training will be held at the Facility on October 25 and 26. It is not too late to sign up for this training.

#### Advanced Training

The Marshall Space Flight Center and Redstone have kindly offered to co-host NASA/RECON Advanced Training on December 7 and 8, 1982. Please communicate your plans to Mr. Philip F. Eckert at the Facility, (301) 859-5300, Ext. 374. For hotel recommendations in Huntsville, consult Ms. Annette Tingle at Marshall, (205) 453-1880 or Ms. Nancy Stilson at Redstone, (205) 876-5181.

### Enhanced Display Capability

On September 30, the display capability for a single DISPLAY command was expanded from 10 lines to 23 lines. This expansion means that a single citation and abstract (Format 2) will be displayed with fewer commands. For example, a record containing 40 lines will now display with the DISPLAY command and one PAGEing. Heretofore, three PAGEing commands were required.





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**NASA Lexical Dictionary** Building on the machine-aided indexing procedures developed at DTIC, work is under way to create a NASA lexical dictionary capable of automatically switching DTIC subject terms to NASA terms. The idea is to switch terms that are already on magnetic tape by computer methods. Pilot tests have indicated that the system will automatically supply appropriate NASA terms for DTIC terms. Non-matching terms will be reviewed by the indexers and intellectually switched to appropriate NASA terms for insertion in the lexical dictionary. Potential to serve as a building block for multidatabase subject switching is evident. A long-range goal of the NASA lexical dictionary is to achieve subject switching of other machine-readable data bases whose records may be candidates for the NASA data base.

**Charge for NASA Literature Searches** In 1983 NASA will discontinue the free search service that has been provided by the NASA STI Facility. Beginning January 3, a charge of \$80.00 will be made for each search performed by the Facility, other than those made for NASA installations or universities. Billing procedures are currently in preparation.

Field RECON users will not be affected by this change except for those RECON users that have also utilized the free NASA literature search service. Those users can probably expect greater use of their NASA/RECON Dial-In capability than heretofore.

**NASA Tech Briefs** NASA Tech Briefs up to and including Vol. 5, No. 4 (Winter 1980) are available on RECON displaying title, author, NASA Center case number, and B-number.

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**NASA Tech Briefs  
(cont'd)**

The adding of 1981 and 1982 Tech Briefs to the NASA data base is in process. By mid-November, the Spring 1981 subset will be available on RECON. The remainder of the 1981 and all of the 1982 Tech Briefs will be processed in the data base in early 1983.

**Type Command**

A Type Command (T) has been reinstated for all TTY Type terminals. Currently, the Type Command is limited to a single citation including the indexing and the abstract. You will be notified when it is expanded.

**NASA/RECON Training**

Advanced NASA/RECON training will be held at Marshall/Redstone on December 7-8, 1982. It is not too late to sign up for this training. For further details, see NASA/RECON Bulletin 82/9, September 1982.

Basic NASA/RECON training was held at the Facility on October 25-26 for 33 attendees representing 21 organizations, including 3 government agencies.







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#### NASA Facility Computer Upgrade

By now all RECON users should have noted the increased rapidity of the responses to their RECON commands. Well, there is a reason for it! In late October the Facility mainframe computer, the IBM-4341, was upgraded from a Group 1 to a Group 2 installation. The upgrade was from 0.8 MIPS (Million Instructions Per Second) to 1.2 MIPS for CPU processing and from 4 Mbytes to 8 Mbytes of memory resulting in a substantial throughput improvement.

The week of November 1-5 was a recordbreaker for RECON - a new weekly high of 66,633 commands was processed including a new daily high of 15,276 commands. Because of the computer upgrade, the system's responsiveness was excellent despite the heavy activity.

#### 1982 COSMIC Catalog

In late October the entire CPA (Computer Program Abstracts) file (many entries were obsolete) was purged from the STIMS Data Base and replaced by the current COSMIC Catalog of computer program summaries. The new input consists of 1,264 citations and abstracts ranging from 82M10001 through 82M11264. The new M accessions are similar in format to the purged accessions.

Page G-2 of Appendix G of the RECON User's Manual should be changed to read:

<u>Coverage</u>	<u>Subject Indexing</u>		<u>Text Indexing</u>	<u>Text Search</u>
	<u>MJS</u>	<u>MNS</u>		
1982 - Present	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

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1982 COSMIC Catalog  
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Both the titles and abstracts are text searchable using the standard title (ATL,UTP) or abstract (TX,AX) mnemonics.

Field users may scan or print a portion of the catalog locally; or they may print the whole catalog by executing the stored search COSMIC82 by employment of the Query Command.

First	Begin Search
Second	- LA 82/M
Third	Q EXECUTE COSMIC82(1D43)

You may examine the stored query by employing these two commands:

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Q DISPLAY COSMIC82(1D43)
Q DISPLAY COSMIC82/23-25(1D43)
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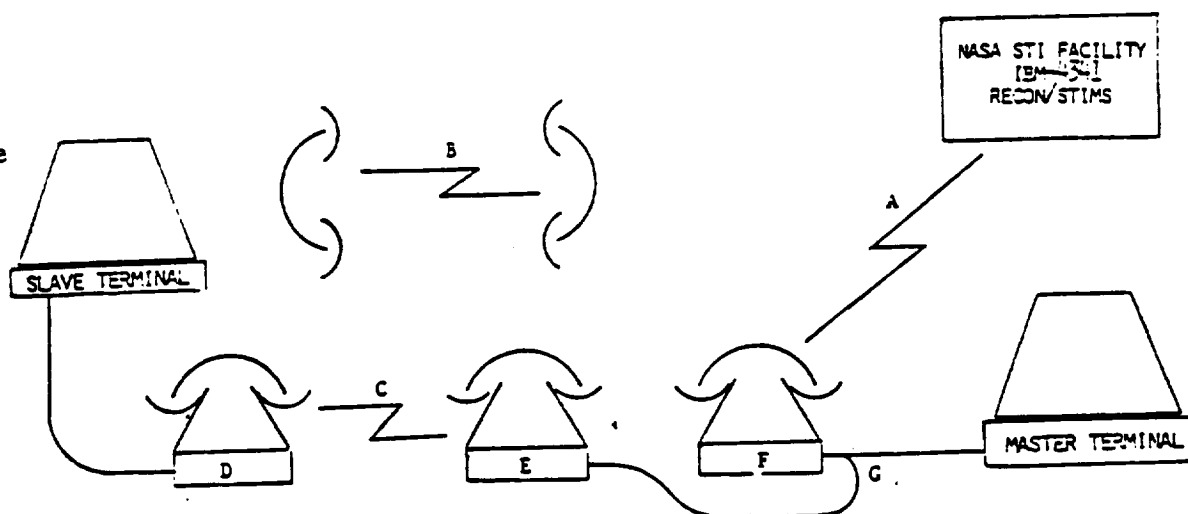
Online Search Tele-  
Conference Service -  
by Carol Sterkin -  
JPL

Several months ago the Online Database Center of the JPL Library inaugurated an online search teleconference service. The service enables the requester to monitor the course of a search (on the nearest dial-up terminal) as it is performed by the searcher in the Library. The requester participates via telephone, by providing feedback on the relevance of the references displayed. Search results can then be printed out, if desired, at the requester's terminal.

There are several advantages to the teleconference service. Instant information can be provided to search requesters at any location, however remote from the Library, and it is as near as the nearest (dial-up) terminal. (A search can even be performed for an individual while on travel). The requester can participate in the course of the search without leaving his office or other location. By printing the information online at the requester's location, in-house mail delays are avoided. Also, the service is cost-effective both from the standpoint of library personnel and from the standpoint of time saved by requesters.

Only a modest expense was incurred to provide this service, the cost of an additional modemphone located near the dial-up terminal of the Online Database Center. An additional telephone was also provided to facilitate conversation with the requester during the course of the search. The modemphone is connected so that it receives the information transmitted from the computer to the terminal in the Library. The requester dials the number of the modemphone at his terminal and he is connected to it via the acoustic coupler (or modem), so that the information transmitted to the Library terminal is also transmitted to the requester's terminal, thus enabling him to monitor the search.



Online Search  
Teleconference  
Service  
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Schematic Diagram of JPL Hookup

1. Master operator initiates a RECON session (A) using Modem (F).
2. Voice communication is established (B) between the master operator and the slave operator.
3. Slave operator establishes data communication (C) by calling modem (E) from modem (D).
4. A specially fabricated cable (G) is required to attach the two modems (E and F) to the master terminal.
5. For further details, call Carol Sterkin at JPL, (213) 354-6911.

Key References for  
Airfoil Data

Almost all reference personnel today are somewhat stymied when attempting to field reference questions on airfoil data. Responding to such questions is not easy because this type of data is not generally available from computerized data banks; and it is exceedingly elusive in manual files.

The RECON citation displayed below is from the NASA Library Network. The document, entitled Summary of Airfoil Data, was published at Langley in 1945 and is perhaps one of the best references in the world on airfoil data. NACA airfoil development began in 1929. The NACA number system for airfoils, e.g., NACA-2415, NACA-23015, NACA-652-015, etc., is described completely for the 16-year period ending in 1945. The airfoil data, in both graphical and tabular form, will provide a host of answers to reference queries.



# Key References for Airfoil Data (cont'd)

Every aeronautical research library should have a copy of this publication. Copies are available at NTIS for \$21.00. Order the publication by the report number, NACA-TR-824, and its title. It is available under the current "Rush Order" category at NTIS.

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1      1      1 TTL/SUMMARY **2 AIRFOIL
ENTER:
      DISPLAY 81/2/1
      77V28297 1945 ISS: 87 T521.A33 NO.84
AUTH: A/ABBOTT, IRA HERBERT.; B/DOENHOFF, ALBERT EDUARD VON.; C/STIVERS, LOUIS
      S. PAT: B/JOINT AUTHOR.; C/JOINT AUTHOR.
UTTL: ** SUMMARY OF AIRFOIL ** DATA, AIRFOILS DATA,
      NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS. REPORT NO. 824. WASHINGTON,
      NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS. REPORT NO. 324.
      LC: AEROFOILS.
      NASA: / AIRFOILS/ HANDBOOKS/ TABLES (DATA)
      MAIN-AUTH TRACE-SERS*TITL*AUTH* CATLG BY-AMES-ATL
      77/82/82 AVAIL: / AMES-ATL

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Sue Seward of Langley, upon review of this article, suggested inclusion of the following additional references on airfoil data that can be displayed on your RECON equipment.

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ACC.PDT.YER.CLN.CCN.PAG.CUL.AUTUIL
FORMAT-DEFINITION ACCEPTED.
      DISPLAY 99/4/1-5 OF 5
      74A42838 74/89/88 16 PAGES AUTH: A/HILEY, S. J.
UTTL: ON THE DESIGN OF AIRFOILS FOR LOW REYNOLDS NUMBERS
      81022858 1981 DAV29.A42 1981 VIII, 328 P. : ILL. : 38 CM. AUTH:
      A/ALTHAUS, DIETER; B/WORTHMAN, FRANZ XAVER
      STUTTGARTER PROFILKATALOG I :
      79021816 1976 T574.U8 45 P. : 38 CM. AUTH: A/WORTHMAN, F X
      AIRFOIL SYNTHESIS TECHNIQUES. -
      78V13385 1961 T574.A4R513 LC-62-6945 281 P. ILLUS. 29 CM.
      AUTH: A/RIEGELS, FRIEDRICH WILHELM.
      AEROFOIL SECTIONS: RESULTS FROM WIND-TUNNEL INVESTIGATIONS, THEORETICAL
      FOUNDATIONS.
      75V13892 1959 T672.A2 1959 LC-68-1681 693 P. : ILL. : 22 CM.
      AUTH: A/ABBOTT, IRA HERBERT; B/DOENHOFF, ALBERT EDUARD
      THEORY OF WING SECTIONS :
      DISPLAY 72V41551/4
      72V41551 1971 T574.A4R49 LC-71-182597 143 P. ILLUS. 24 CM.
      AUTH: A/RICE, MICHAEL S.
      HANDBOOK OF AIRFOIL SECTIONS FOR LIGHT AIRCRAFT.

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## Offer of Special Collection

The Facility has a bound collection of the Congressional Record from 1963 through 1974, excluding the years 1965 and 1969. The collection requires 42 linear feet of shelving and is hereby offered to any NASA installation, on a first-call, first-serve basis. If there is no response by December 21, the collection will then be offered to any RECON user on a first-call, first-serve basis.

## RECON Training Workshops

### RECON Advanced Training - December 7-8, 1982

RECON Advanced Training is scheduled at Marshall/Redstone in Huntsville, AL on December 7 and 8. It is not too late to sign up. For details, see NASA/RECON Bulletin 82/9 of September 1982.





RECON Training  
Workshops  
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RECON Basic Training - January 18-19, 1983

RECON Basic Training is scheduled to be held at the Facility on January 18 and 19, 1983.

RECON Basic and Advanced Training - March 21-24, 1983

Basic Training - March 21-22, 1983 (Mon. & Tues.)

California Institute of Tech.  
Graduate Aeronautical Labs.  
1201 E. California Blvd.  
Pasadena, CA 91125

Cal. Tech. hostess is  
Ms. Virginia Anderson  
(213) 356-4521

Advanced Training - March 23-24, 1983 (Wed. & Thurs.)

Hughes Aircraft Co.  
2000 E. El Segundo Blvd.  
El Segundo, CA 90245

Hughes Aircraft hostess  
is Ms. Jeanne Balikos  
(213) 616-0408

Organizations planning to send one or more representatives to these workshops are requested to inform Mr. Philip F. Eckert at the Facility of their plans (301) 859-5300, Ext. 363 or 374.





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#### The "A" Series

Commencing with this bulletin, NASA Headquarters will feature on a monthly or bimonthly basis for the next several months an accession number series of the NASA data base. The first accession series to be described is the largest in the data base - the A Series.

The A Series has several aliases - A, 1A, A10K, A-10000, and IAA. The A80K Series (or A-80000) is not considered part of the Series today. The accessions in this short-lived subset of the data base (1964-1969) were used for the Library of Congress input to the Continuing Bibliography entitled, Aerospace Medicine & Biology - NASA SP-7011. IAA, of course, is the abbreviation for International Aerospace Abstracts, which has been produced since January 1961. From January 1961 to December 1962, the journal was produced monthly on a manual basis and was funded by the National Science Foundation and the United States Air Force. Since January 1963, the journal has been produced on a semimonthly basis by the Technical Information Service (TIS) of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) under contract with NASA. The AIAA was formally organized on January 1, 1963 as a result of a merger between the Institute of Aerospace Sciences (IAS) and the American Rocket Society (ARS). The abstract section of the journal, front matter, and covers have been prepared in New York City. As a cooperative measure and to insure full compatibility with STAR, the IAA indexing group was instructed from the very beginning to use the NASA indexing authority lists - the Subject Authority List from 1962 through 1967 and the NASA Thesaurus from 1968 to date. Employing similar input formats, the camera-ready copies of the IAA subject indexes were prepared from the Facility tapes that were processed by special programs at the National

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Library of Medicine (in the 1960's) and at GPO (in the 1970's and 1980's). All indexes for both STAR and IAA are currently being generated by the Videocomp at GPO. The camera-ready copy of the IAA abstract section of the semimonthly journal continues today to be produced in the New York area.

As a major supplier to the overall NASA data base, the AIAA Technical Information Service continues today to be the heaviest contributor, excluding the Facility, to the NASA Thesaurus. Each new term recommended as an added entry to the NASA Thesaurus by TIS has been submitted in a highly professional manner, suitably supported by backup documentation.

Through Issue 24 of 1982 (December 15, 1982) the IAA accession population was in excess of 705,000. For the year 38,267 accessions had been added. Over a 20-year period the average input has been 35,295 per year. In general, STAR covers the report literature (more about STAR in an early 1983 bulletin). Complementary coverage of the so-called "open literature" - books, journal articles, and other formally published materials - is provided by International Aerospace Abstracts. Together, the two journals STAR and IAA cover the world's current literature dealing with aerospace/aeronautics science and technology. By special cooperation between a government agency (NASA) and a private organization (AIAA), the journals are produced alternately, two each per month, throughout the year (IAA on the 1st and 15th and STAR on the 8th and 23rd). Both use the same category scheme, the same indexing authority, and both contain basically the same indexes. IAA titles are text searchable for the whole collection (1963 to date); the abstracts are text searchable from 1972 to date.

A quick scan of the front matter of the Annual Subject Index for IAA will reveal a listing of over 500 periodicals of which over half are foreign that are scanned for input. TIS acquirers attempt to select the most relevant articles for the IAA journal; they must be selective because the size of the accession series for any given year is a function of the funding. A high proportion of foreign articles is selected, cataloged, and abstracted in English with a language note in the citation indicating the language, e.g., In FRENCH. Later, if a translation of a previously announced article appears, the translation may be reannounced, with a reference note in the abstract portion as follows: For abstract, see issue 01, p. 1234, Accession No. A81-34567.

Virtually all users of the NASA scientific and technical information system are extremely satisfied with the variety of information services in the overall data base. Countless times this expression has been made, "The search results were excellent because they contained the 'open literature' that complemented or augmented the report literature."



## NASA/RECON Training

NASA/RECON advanced training sessions were held at Marshall Space Flight Center and Redstone Scientific Information Center in Huntsville on December 7 and 8. Twenty-one information specialists attended the sessions as follows: 12 from RSIC, 5 from Marshall, 2 from NSTL, and 2 from Arnold Air Force Station.

NASA/RECON training is scheduled in January and March as follows:

Basic Training at the Facility - January 18-19, 1983

Basic Training at Cal Tech - Pasadena, CA, March 21-22, 1983

Advanced Training at Hughes - El Segundo, CA, March 23-24, 1983

For details, see NASA/RECON User's Bulletin 82/11 of November 1982.

## New Charges for 1983

NASA/RECON. NASA/RECON user charges will be changed in 1983 as follows:

- o The \$120.00 annual maintenance charge is reduced to \$60.00 for the second and succeeding years.
- o The \$15.00 per connect hour charge will be changed to \$20.00 per hour.
- o The 3 cents per printed citation will be increased to 5 cents per printed citation.
- o The \$7.00 per connect hour for TELENET service will remain unchanged.

Literature Searches. The free literature search service provided by the NASA Scientific and Technical Information Facility will be discontinued to other than universities and NASA installations. Beginning January 3, 1983, a charge of \$80.00 will be made for each search that is performed by a Facility analyst. Billing procedures for literature searches were mailed to the overall NASA user community on November 30, 1982.

## Holiday Greetings

The Scientific and Technical Information Branch at NASA Headquarters joins the NASA Scientific and Technical Information Facility in extending holiday greetings to the NASA User Community.





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#### The STAR Series

Last month NASA Headquarters in RECON User's Bulletin 82/12 discussed the "A" Series and promised to feature an accession series of the NASA data base on a monthly or bimonthly basis for the next several months.

STAR, the accession series for this bulletin, was introduced in the early 1960's - a new product designed to ease the myriad tasks of aerospace/aeronautics librarians.

STAR ingredients were the N10K accessions. The N10K Series (also called IN or N-10000) actually appeared in a NASA publication entitled Technical Publication Announcements (TPA) in 1962. It was short-lived and succeeded by STAR (Scientific and Technical Aerospace Reports) on January 8, 1963, which continues to be NASA's primary medium for announcing the unclassified, unlimited report literature to the aerospace community.

STAR or the N10K Series is the second most populous accession series in the overall NASA data base. Through STAR 24 (December 23, 1982) there were 510,690 STAR accessions in the data base. The abstract journal STAR is published semi-monthly (on the 8th and 23rd) with each issue containing about 950 to 1050 accessions. The material entered into STAR consists of both domestic and foreign unclassified, unlimited technical reports. STAR accessions cover research reports that, with rare exceptions, have been published in the past two years. In addition to technical reports, STAR covers pertinent theses, publicly available translations, and NASA-owned patents and patent applications. Citations from other government agencies, mainly from the Departments of Defense, Energy, Transportation (including FAA), and Commerce

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(including NTIS), that are within the scope of NASA's interest are selected and announced in STAR. In addition, the European Space Agency (ESA) provides several hundred technical reports per year that are originated abroad.

Virtually all new NASA-funded (R&D) documents are entered into the N10K data base. The exceptions are those documents that contain a paucity of technical information or are of odd size and/or shape, and those that have distribution limitations for administrative or security reasons.

The Primary Data Base for STAR (1968 - to date) contains about 380,000 accessions as compared to the Alternate Data Base (1962-1967) with 130,000 accessions - almost a 3 to 1 ratio. All STAR accessions are text searchable by the Title family (Title, Title Supplement, Title Extension, and the Notation of Content). STAR abstracts and analytic notes are text searchable from 1972 to date. All STAR accessions are subject term searchable by two levels of indexing - major terms or minor terms.

New RECON File  
Collections

On January 3, 1983, two new file collections, O and P, were implemented on the RECON network for dedicated and dial-up users. File Collection O is equal to File Collection D less the X70K series; and File Collection P is equal to File Collection N less the X70K series.

The X70K series contains several thousand limited distribution and security classified accessions that are generally unavailable to a large segment of the RECON user community. All users that have classified profiles in either the DTIC or NASA registration files are still given the use of File Collections D and N. Users without classified profiles default to File Collection O and can access file Collection P.

These changes were made in recognition of DOD security policies. Affected users will receive additional information via future correspondence from NASA.

Index for 1982 RECON  
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The Index for NASA/RECON User's Bulletin 82/1 through 82/12 is forwarded as a separate entity with this bulletin.

NASA/RECON Training  
Plans

A RECON basic training workshop was conducted at the Facility on January 18 and 19 for 28 information specialists representing 17 government agencies or contractors.

NASA/RECON basic and advanced training workshops are scheduled at Cal Tech (Pasadena) and Hughes Aircraft (El Segundo) on March 21-22 and March 23-24, respectively. See RECON User's Bulletin 82/11 for details.

## User Alert

In order to respond quickly to problems that occasionally occur with RECON search processing, a special message has been developed that can be sent in a matter of seconds from the Facility to the "troubled" user. It is shown below.

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## A T T E N T I O N

RECON HAD TROUBLE PROCESSING YOUR INPUT. PLEASE CONTACT THE RECON  
COORDINATOR BEFORE ENTERING ANOTHER COMMAND. 301-621-2988 OR  
301-859-5300 EXT. 286.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

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#### NASA/RECON Training

NASA/RECON basic and advanced training workshops are scheduled at Cal Tech (Pasadena) and Hughes Aircraft (El Segundo) on March 21-22 and March 23-24, respectively. See RECON User's Bulletin 82/11 for details.

A two-day NASA/RECON advanced training workshop is planned for users in the New England area in May or June. Users located in this area are requested to inform Mr. Philip F. Eckert (301-859-5300, X374) if they could attend and what would be the most desirable dates and location. A host site is needed, and anyone who will volunteer to be the host will be greatly appreciated.

#### Four Useful References

The first two references shown below are high-quality, authoritative research efforts that deal with aircraft altitude and aircraft speed (mph and knots), and the speed of sound (Mach 1) at various altitudes (pressure altitudes in terms of geopotential feet). The first reference (NASA TN-D-822) was published in August 1961 and is noteworthy for the introduction of a new unit of height - geopotential feet - a unit that takes into account the decrease of the gravity constant with height. The second reference (NASA RP-1046) is an in-depth treatise on the measurement of aircraft speed and altitude and is based, in part, upon the "U.S. Standard Atmosphere, 1976," whereas the first reference was based, in part, upon the ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization) standard atmosphere. This reference has also been published as a textbook - as a Wiley-Interscience publication. See also 80V41360 and 81A32401.

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# Useful References c'd)

From the two publications, Mach 1 speeds are as follows:

Sea Level	36,500' to 82,000'	36,090' to 65,800'
TN-D-822 761.21 mph (661.48 kts)	660.05 mph (573.57 kts)	-----
RP-1046 761.22 mph (661.48 kts)	-----	660.05 mph (573.57 kts)

Note: 660 mph and 573.5 kts are the commonly accepted Mach 1 values on which aircraft speeds are derived for commercial airliners cruising at "jet altitudes." Mach 0.82, a cruising speed for many airliners, translates into 541 mph or 470 kts.

The third reference (NASA RP-1060) is a first-rate monograph on subsonic aircraft, with emphasis on the estimation of approximate size, weight, and power (engine) intended to meet specified performance requirements - for both jet-powered and propeller-driven aircraft. Excellent descriptions are given for first-generation air transports, second-generation transports, wide-body transports, and dedicated cargo transports. Several aspects of technical evaluation of the airplane from World War I through 1980 are presented. This high-quality NASA RP (reference publication) is currently being used as a textbook in some colleges and universities. See also 81V14884.

The fourth reference is NASA SP-440, entitled "Wind Tunnels of NASA." This recent publication makes a magnificent effort to bridge the gap between the engineer and the layman in the comprehension of wind tunnel facilities and their uses. See also 81V31156.

All four publications are available from NTIS.

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62N71396 CATEGORY 21 RPT#: NASA TECHNICAL NOTE D-822 61/08/00 37  
PAGES UNCLASSIFIED DOCUMENT  
AUTH: A/LIVINGSTON, S. P.: B/GRACEY, W.  
TABLES OF AIRSPEED, ALTITUDE, AND MACH NUMBER BASED ON LATEST  
INTERNATIONAL VALUES FOR ATMOSPHERIC PROPERTIES AND PHYSICAL CONSTANTS  
CORP: National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Langley Research Center,  
Hampton, Va.

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80N24296\*\* ISSUE 15 PAGE 1936 CATEGORY 5 RPT#: NASA-RP-1046  
L-12610 80/05/00 311 PAGES UNCLASSIFIED DOCUMENT  
UTTL: Measurement of aircraft speed and altitude  
AUTH: A/GRACEY, W.  
CORP: National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Langley Research Center,  
Hampton, Va. AVAIL. NTIS SAP: HC A14/MF AG1  
MAJS: /\*AIRCRAFT INSTRUMENTS/\*AIRSPEED/\*FLIGHT ALTITUDE  
MINS: / ACCURACY/ CALIBRATING/ PRESSURE MEASUREMENT/ STATIC PRESSURE  
ABA: R.E.S.  
ABS: Problems involved in measuring speed and altitude with pressure-actuated instruments (altimeter, airspeed indicator, true-airspeed indicator, Machmeter, and vertical-speed indicator) are examined. Equations relating total pressure and static pressure to the five flight quantities are presented, and criteria for the design of total and static pressure tubes are given. Calibrations of typical static pressure installations (fuselage nose, wing tip, vertical fin, and fuselage vent) are presented, various methods for flight calibration of these installations are described, and the calibration of a particular installation by two of the methods is described in detail. Equations are given for estimating the effects of pressure lag and leaks. Test procedures for the laboratory calibration of the five instruments are described, and accuracies of mechanical and electrical instruments are presented. Operational use of the altimeter for terrain clearance and vertical separation of aircraft is discussed, along with flight technical errors and overall altitude errors of aircraft in cruise operations. Altitude-measuring techniques based on a variety of properties of the Earth and the atmosphere are included. Two appendixes present airspeed and altitude tables and sample calculations for determining the various flight parameters from measured total and static pressures.

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 L-13367 80/08/00 445 PAGES UNCLASSIFIED DOCUMENT  
 UTTL: Subsonic aircraft: Evolution and the matching of size to performance  
 AUTH: A/LOFTIN, L. K., JR.  
 CORP: National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Langley Research Center, Hampton, Va. AVAIL.NTIS SAP: HC A19/MF AC1  
 MAJS: /\*AIRCRAFT DESIGN/\*AIRCRAFT PERFORMANCE/\*PROPELLER EFFICIENCY/\*PROPULSIVE EFFICIENCY/\*SIZE (DIMENSIONS)/\*TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT  
 MINS: / AERODYNAMIC CHARACTERISTICS/ AERODYNAMIC CONFIGURATIONS/ AIRCRAFT NOISE/ AIRSPEED/ JET AIRCRAFT/ LIGHT AIRCRAFT/ WEIGHT (MASS)  
 ABA: Author  
 ABS: Methods for estimating the approximate size, weight, and power of aircraft intended to meet specified performance requirements are presented for both jet-powered and propeller-driven aircraft. The methods are simple and require only the use of a pocket computer for rapid application to specific sizing problems. Application of the methods is illustrated by means of sizing studies of a series of jet-powered and propeller-driven aircraft with varying design constraints. Some aspects of the technical evolution of the airplane from 1918 to the present are also briefly discussed.

DISPLAY 01/2/1  
 81N32153\*\*# ISSUE 23 PAGE 3151 CATEGORY 9 RPT#: NASA-SP-440  
 81/00/00 162 PAGES UNCLASSIFIED DOCUMENT  
 UTTL: Wind Tunnels of NASA  
 AUTH: A/BAALS, D. D.: B/CORLISS, W. R.  
 CORP: National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, D. C. AVAIL.NTIS SAP: HC A08/MF AC1  
 Original document contains color illustrations  
 MAJS: /\*HISTORIES/\*WIND TUNNEL APPARATUS/\*WIND TUNNELS  
 MINS: / AERODYNAMICS/ FLIGHT SIMULATORS/ WIND TUNNEL CALIBRATION  
 ABA: T.H.  
 ABS: The contribution of wind tunnels to aerodynamic studies is described. The development of the wind tunnel and the problems of calibration, scaling, and instrumentation are discussed. The NASA wind tunnels form the basis for the book, but Air Force, university, and industrial facilities are also considered.

New RECON Records

These new RECON records have been recorded:

- . A new daily high for number of commands - 17,626 on 02-08-83
- . A new weekly high for number of commands - 69,125 for the week ending 01-28-83
- . A new monthly high for number of commands - 270,095 in January 1983

STAR Issues 1 and 2

STAR Issues 1 and 2 for 1983 will be mailed from Langley Research Center on or before March 4. Delay caused by new GPO contractor problems.



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#### NASA/RECON Training

NASA/RECON basic and advanced training sessions were held at Cal Tech in Pasadena on March 21-22 for 39 information specialists and librarians and at Hughes Aircraft in El Segundo on March 23-24 for 44. This was the largest number of retrieval personnel trained during two two-day training sessions. The Chief of Scientific and Technical Information Branch and staff at NASA Headquarters publicly express their appreciation and gratitude to Ms. Jeanne Anderson and the California Institute of Technology and to Ms. Jeanne Balikos and the Hughes Aircraft Co., Electro-optical and Data Systems Group. These two hostesses and their training facilities along with Ms. Carol Sterkin of JPL, who was a voluntary instructor at both locations, contributed heavily to make the 1983 California RECON training program an unqualified success. Mr. Van A. Wente also relays NASA's appreciation to the appropriate authorities of Cal Tech, Hughes, and JPL.

The RECON advanced training workshop at the C.S. Draper Lab., 555 Technology Square, Cambridge, MA 02139, is firmly scheduled for May 24-25. We hope that all New England users will attend and non-New England users are also invited to attend. For hotel suggestions call Ms. Betty Edwards, 617-258-3555. Formal written invitation packets were mailed to prospective attendees on April 25.

#### Use of the KEEP Command with the ORDER Command

You may scan a RECON set of accessions in Format 2 and KEEP those accessions of interest by keying the KEEP Command after an item has been displayed. You must enter the KEEP Command before the next item is displayed.

**RECON operational problems** may be directed to the RECON Coordinator at the NASA Scientific and Technical Information Facility in Baltimore, Maryland, (Telephone: (301)-859-5300 ext. 286) or Washington, D. C. (Telephone: (202)-621-1910

ext. 286). Other problems, suggestions, and comments may be directed to Buford Smith or John Wilson (Telephone: (202)-755-3465, NASA Headquarters, Code NIT-42, Washington, D. C. 20546).





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Command with the  
ORDER Command  
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For example, scanning a set of 25 N10K or N70K accessions, you may use the KEEP Command for items 3, 6, 15, 20, and 25. Set 99 would then have 5 members. As a labor saving technique, you may use the ORDER Command for Set 99 by entering O 99. Once Set 99 has served its purpose, Release 99 by the Command, R 99. Omitting the releasing of 99 could cause trouble later on because 99 is a sanctuary for KEEP's until released or until a BEGIN or BEGIN BYPASS is executed. An END search will not snuff out set 99.

Online Ordering

NASA contractors, U.S. Government agencies, and Government contractors are now able to obtain NASA-generated documents directly from the Facility at NTIS prices by using the NASA/RECON Order Command. This service is limited to NASA-generated documents that are identified by an asterisk immediately following the accession number in a Format 2 display, e.g., 83N13419\*. Requests for non-NASA documents from the above-named organizations will not be filled.

Format and Coverage  
Changes

Commencing with the May issue, the NASA/RECON User's Bulletin will be changed to the NASA STI-RECON Bulletin. The revised Bulletin will cover developments in NASA Scientific and technical information (STI) projects, products and services in addition to RECON items. In the interest of economy, current stock (with the old telephone numbers for the RECON Coordinator at the bottom of the first page) is being used for this last issue. The new format for May 1983, will contain the correct phone number for the RECON Coordinator, which is 301-621-0300.





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As a result of upgrading the Facility telephone system, new Facility telephones were made effective on Monday, March 21, as follows:

New RECON Coordinator's Telephone No. (HOTLINE)	(301) 621-0300
New RECON Data Line No.	(301) 621-0350
New RECON Vadic Data Line No.	(301) 621-0360
New Facility (Switchboard) No.	(301) 621-0100

Telephone numbers of key personnel are given on pages 4 and 5.

Effective April 1, 1983, non-NASA users may order selected NASA documents for a fee from the NASA Scientific and Technical Information Facility. To place your order, use the ORDER command, as outlined in 4.3.15 of the NASA/RECON System User's Manual, Revision 3, May 1980. (A modified version of the ORDER command is being forwarded to RECON users.) Each document must be ordered by NASA accession number, and only NASA documents with an asterisk (\*) immediately following the accession number will be supplied.

Charges will be as follows:

Paper copy: For "N" accession numbers, the same price as charged by NTIS. For "X" accession numbers, no charge to authorized recipients.

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Ordering NASA  
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authorized recipients.

There will be no change in present practices for NASA centers,  
JPL, RSIC, IACs and STACs.

Directory of  
Numerical Databases

As of March 1, 1983 a new File Collection Q, Directory of  
Numerical Databases (DND), was made available on RECON for  
the entire RECON user community.

The Directory is a referral listing of scientific and  
technical data bases that are computer-readable and may be  
used by NASA and its contractors. The DND provides a brief  
description of each listed data base and gives the name and  
telephone number of a key person from whom access details  
may be obtained.

Descriptions of over one-hundred are provided, covering a  
broad range of technical fields of interest to NASA. The  
DND File Collection was compiled by the Scientific and  
Technical Information Branch of NASA Headquarters. For  
additional details about the DND, call John Wilson, Code  
NIT-42 of NASA Headquarters, (202) 755-3465.

To access the DND, select File Collection Q, and Enter: HELP  
X033 or HELP SEARCH Coll-Q. The file is easily searchable by  
text and non-text terms, which are displayed in the HELP data.

A Bit of Boolean

Whether the RECON searcher knows it or not, he or she is  
employing Boolean logic every time a combine command is  
performed. Little did George Boole know that his last name  
would become an adjective, falling just short of becoming  
a household word. As you have now guessed, a short, short  
treatise on Boole and his adjective (Boolean) will be given  
here.

George Boole was an English logician and mathematician who  
lived in England and Ireland in the 1800's (1815-1864). He  
was one of a very prominent group of mathematicians that also  
included Arthur Cayley and James Joseph Sylvester, all of whom  
made important contributions to the field of mathematics.  
Boole, who spent most of his active years in Ireland, discovered  
that it was possible to apply algebraic symbols to logic - a  
step that led to his publishing a pamphlet called Mathematical  
Analysis of Logic (1847). Believing it to be incomplete and  
imperfect, he published a much more precise work, An Investiga-  
tion of the Laws of Thought, on Which are Founded the Mathematical  
Theories of Logic and Probabilities (1854). It was from these  
two works that the Boolean laws involving 0 and 1 and and/or/not  
had their humble beginnings - and far-reaching, multibillion-  
dollar consequences.

A Bit of Boolean  
(cont'd)

For almost a hundred years, the so-called Boolean laws were an academic curiosity. They were applied to set theory in the late 1800's and early 1900's, but they were of no practical value until a young brilliant research assistant in the Department of Electrical Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in 1938 published the first paper demonstrating that electrical relay and switching circuits behaved in accordance with the Boolean laws or postulates. The author, now the Donner Professor Emeritus of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at MIT, was Claude E. Shannon, and his paper was, A Symbolic Analysis of Relay and Switching Circuits (AIEE Transactions, Volume 57, 1938, pp. 713-723). Shannon also was a co-author of The Mathematical Theory of Communication and the founder of Information Theory. A second significant paper followed by 14 years. It also demonstrated the practicality and usefulness of the Boolean laws in An Application of Boolean Algebra to Switching Circuit Design. Its notable author was Robert E. Stahler, and it may be found in the Bell System Technical Journal, Volume XXXI March 1952, Number 2, pp. 280-305.

George Boole did not create all of the rules of logic as some of his followers and admirers would like to believe. However, his name deservedly appears to be well embedded in written materials or spoken words that are pertinent to computerized retrieval operations or to the logic section of a computer. For more about George Boole, see The World of Mathematics, Volumes 1 and 3, by James R. Newman, and An Introduction to the Foundations and Fundamental Concepts of Mathematics by Howard Eves. Full descriptions of these two excellent works are:

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AUTH: A/Newman, James Roy. A/1907-1966 PAT: A/ed.  
UTTL: The world of mathematics; TLSP: a small library of the literature of mathematics from A'h-mose the scribe to Albert Einstein, presented with commentaries and notes by James R. Newman.  
Simon and Schuster, New York. 4 v. (xviii, 2535 p.) illus. 23 cm.  
Bibliographical footnotes.  
LC: Mathematics--Collected works.  
NASA: / BIBLIOGRAPHIES/ LIBRARIES/ MATHEMATICS  
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AUTH: A/Eves, Howard  
UTTL: An introduction to the \*\* foundations and fundamental concepts \*\*  
of mathematics  
rev. eds. Holt, Rinehart and Winston, New York. xv, 398 p.  
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## NASA/RECON Training

The C. S. Draper Laboratory, Cambridge, MA, has kindly offered to host NASA/RECON Advanced Training on May 24-25. Organizations planning to send one or more representatives to this workshop are requested to inform Mr. Philip F. Eckert at the Facility of their plans, (301) 621-0140.

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## Bulletin to Cover STI Activities

Beginning with this issue, the Bulletin will cover developments in NASA scientific and technical information (STI) projects, products, and services of concern to our users. NASA/RECON will continue to be covered as before. Readers are invited to contribute items that other users of NASA STI will find useful. Send or telephone them to John Wilson at Headquarters (FTS 755-3465/Commercial 202-755-3465) or Philip F. Eckert at the Facility (301) 859-5300.

## Recent Changes in the STI Branch

Buford Smith has been named Head, Systems and Retrieval Section (NIT-42).

Kay Voglewede has been named Acting Head, Technical Publications Section (NIT-43), following the death of Frank Rowsome.

James Phillips, Head, Program and Analysis Section (NIT-41), has assumed the Library Administrator's activities following the death of Albert String. It is anticipated that a new Library Administrator will be recruited.

## Continuing Bibliographies under Review

As a result of a survey of NASA Centers and contractors, a review is being initiated of several regularly issued bibliographies to determine how their usefulness might be improved. As a first step the quarterly Earth Resources (NASA SP-7041) is being reviewed by the Office of Space Science and Applications. Others planned

to be reviewed include Energy (NASA SP-7043), also quarterly, and Aerospace Medicine and Biology (NASA SP-7037) and Aeronautical Engineering (NASA SP-7037), both monthly. Centers and recipients of these publications are being asked to participate.

## Access to NASA/RECON

NASA has continued to expand online access to NASA/RECON. Included are government agencies and their contractors, and universities whose scientific and engineering activities relate to aeronautics and space research. Therefore, your organization may be qualified to gain online access on a reimbursable basis.

Over two million citations (1.7 million documents and 440,000 books) are accessible online via the NASA/RECON system. NASA/RECON was developed initially to serve the NASA Centers and for technology transfer through the various Industrial Application Centers. Access to NASA/RECON not only includes the NASA organizations but also over 150 users on a reimbursable basis. These users pay an annual maintenance fee to cover training, textual material, and technical support. They also pay online charges and communications cost. Charges effective January 1, 1983 are:

Maintenance Fee	\$120.00	First year
Maintenance Fee	60.00	2nd & subsequent year
Search Time	20.00	Connect hour
Citation Print	.05	Each printed at Facility
Telenet	7.00	Connect hour

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## **Multilingual Aeronautical Dictionary**

This unique source book contains 876 pages of the latest lexicon of aeronautical research and development. It provides users with 7319 terms, which are defined in English and translated into equivalent terms in Italian, French, Spanish, Greek, Dutch, German, Russian, Turkish, and Portuguese. The dictionary also includes a list of 4000 often-used English-language acronyms and abbreviations, many space-related, with their definitions.

The dictionary was developed by the Technical Information Panel of the Advisory Group for Aerospace Research and Development (AGARD), an agency of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). Scientists and engineers from the NATO nations pooled their linguistic and technical expertise to select the terms for inclusion, prepare the definitions, and provide translated equivalents.

Now, you can add this 876-page Multilingual Aeronautical Dictionary to your library for only \$98.50, including postage and handling. You will receive a handsome, hardbound volume, superbly designed for years of helpful reference. Gold lettering is stamped onto the deep-blue hardbound cover. Available from NITS.

## **Chemical Substances Information Network (CSIN)**

The Chemical Substances Information Network (CSIN) developed by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Council for Environmental Quality, is well on its way to becoming a national chemical information system. R&D staff members and managers at Headquarters and the Centers may find it useful.

CSIN is a distributed network of coordinated online information systems designed to satisfy the need for information concerning chemical substances. CSIN provides access to nomenclature and composition; properties; production and commerce; products and uses; exposure, effects, studies and research; regulations, laws, and controls. Problems of data base administration and

management, such as limited access and charging mechanisms, are being dealt with, and provide guidelines for data base managers. Potential users are federal and state agencies, industry, universities, and R&D institutions. Millions of records are available online.

For further information, call:

Dr. Sidney Siegel, Administrator  
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NACA and NASA duplicates of unclassified reports (several hundred) are now available from Princeton University. Receiver to pay shipping charges. Contact Ms. Dee Hoelle, Engineering Librarian, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 08544 (telephone: 609-452-3201) before July 15, 1983.

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## **NASA/STI Surveys Completed**

NASA's Scientific and Technical Information Branch has recently concluded two surveys of the relative value placed on NASA STI products and services. NASA Centers and contractors were queried. Since many products and services are without charge to system users, value-related feedback has to be simulated. A method was developed and tested to approximate this value; users in the NASA Centers and contractor organizations were asked to indicate the relative percentage value for each product, consisting the overall list of products as 100%.

Both Centers and contractors gave heavier relative value to major services. If STAR and IAA and their indexes are considered as one (as the published data base) compared to online RECON including NALNET, then approximately two-thirds of total relative value is allotted to major products. Approximately one-third is given all other products.

Highest preferences of Centers was for RECON, while contractor higher preferences were almost equal for RECON and STAR (20% and 19%). NASA STI users both at Centers and contractors, appeared to be signaling, both statistically and in intent, that they are

going to depend more and more heavily upon online services.

The continuing bibliographies, SCAN (Selected Current Aerospace Notices, twice a month) and UPDATE (current awareness monthly) were low relative valued products for both Centers and contractors. UPDATE service (for NASA Centers and selected contractors for Hq., Langley, Ames, Lewis, and Goddard) has been expanded since the 1982 survey and would probably receive a higher rating if the survey were conducted today.

For further information, call  
John Wilson, (202) 755-3465.

#### COMPARATIVE VALUE OF NASA STI PRODUCTS

	NASA Centers		NASA Contractors
	<u>Unweighted</u>	<u>Weighted*</u>	
RECON Online Retrieval System	28	34	20
International Aerospace Abstracts (IAA)	6	5	9
Scientific and Technical Aerospace Reports (STAR)	10	5	19
Continuing Bibliographies	2	1	5
Special Publications	7	8	6
NALNET (NASA Library Network)	14	16	4
Microfiche	13	15	5
Selected Current Aerospace Notices (SCAN)	6	5	8
Scientific and Technical Aerospace Reports (STAR) Index	4	2	11
International Aerospace Abstracts (IAA) Index	3	2	6
Limited Scientific and Technical Aerospace Reports (LSTAR)	2	2	4
UPDATE (Monthly Current Awareness)	4	4	3

\*Simple average for the centers and averages weighted according to number of scientists and engineers.

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TM-77131

Solar Activity and the Biosphere, NASA  
TM-77168

Space Research Conducted in the Soviet  
Union in 1980, NASA TM-77178

Motion Sickness, Its Prevention and  
Treatment, NASA TM-77181

Principles and Methods for Studying the  
Hydrological Cycle According to Aero-  
space Information, NASA TM-77190

Aerospace Methods in Geographical  
Research, NASA TM-77169

Salyut-7, NASA TM-77177 N83-20998

Turbulent Boundary Layer Around a Group  
of Obstacles in the Direction of Flow,  
NASA TM-77016 N83-21264

## Recent Publications

Space Physiology and Medicine, NASA  
SP-447, GPO, \$15.

Managing NASA in the Apollo Era: An  
Administrative History of the U.S.  
Space Program, 1958-1969, NASA SP-4102,  
GPO, \$10.00

Modeling, Analysis, and Optimization  
Issues for Large Space Structures,  
NASA CP-2258, NTIS, 230 pages, \$20.50.

NASA/MSFC FY-82 Atmospheric Processes  
Research Review, NASA CP-2259, NTIS, 241  
pages, \$20.50.

Tire Modeling, NASA CP-2264, NTIS,  
248 pages, \$20.50.

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## Climate Data Added to DND

Descriptions of about 40 climate data bases have been added to the Directory of Numerical Databases now accessible online on NASA/RECON (as the Q File). These are included in the NASA Climate Data Catalog issued by the Information Management Branch of Goddard Space Flight Center. If you know of other catalogs of numerical data bases, send us a copy, or let us know about them, and we'll enter them into the DND.

## Red Rowsome Citation

A plaque was presented at NASA Headquarters to Fay Rowsome, widow of Red Rowsome, who for over 20 years was NASA's Chief of Publications. Many of his former friends and associates shared in the presentation, recognizing his distinguished contributions to many outstanding and significant aeronautical and space publications.

## Standardized Cosati Cataloging Explored

A week-long workshop beginning June 20 was held at NTIS to propose standards for cataloging report literature for the Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC), DOE Technical Information Center, Oak Ridge (TIC), NTIS, and NASA/STI Branch.

The cataloging at these agencies is based on guidelines developed by COSATI\* in 1966 and revised by the Committee on Information Hang-Ups in 1978.\*\* Variations from agency to agency in many instances are only minor. DTIC, DOE, TIC, and NASA/STI account for approximately 75% of the reports processed by Federal agencies. Implementation of standard cataloging guidelines could streamline processing for the agencies and make it easier for users to access citations.

Experience of the agencies in the last twenty years of processing reports for publication and entry into online systems has developed COSATI into a most efficient system, supplying the data elements the user needs.

\*Committee on Scientific and Technical Information, Federal Council for Science and Technology.

\*\*Guidelines for Descriptive Cataloging of Reports. A Revision of COSATI Standard for Descriptive Cataloging of Government Scientific and Technical Reports. March 1978 (CIH-78/01, PB-277 951, AD-A050 900).

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## NASA's Scientific and Technical Information System

Condensed from a recent presentation to NASA management by V. A. Wentz, Chief of the Scientific and Technical Information Branch.

Those of us who have responsibility for NASA's STI System think it is the biggest, most agile, and useful collection of high-tech information in the world. The total system includes the STI Branch in Washington, the STI Facility at the Baltimore-Washington International Airport; the similar activity run with NASA's support by the AIAA in New York City; the online systems serving libraries at each of the NASA Centers and major contractor sites; and arrangements with foreign organizations such as the European Space Agency for inputting reports of member nations and quid pro quo additions to the data base.

Looking at the NASA-wide technical information system, we see that each Center's STI operations are organized differently. In all NASA and JPL, about 200 civil-service personnel and 350 support-service contractors work in technical information. They are supported altogether by funds in excess of \$30-million annually.

At the heart of the system is the collection, a huge body of scientific and technical information collected from worldwide sources. It's big - currently containing over 2.2 million individual items. It's also dynamic, growing at the rate of 140,000 items per year. We have a number of quality-control and filtering methods to keep this massive data base from turning into a squirrel's nest. Principal elements in this data base are reports, journal papers, presentations, and books. If it's been put on paper or film, and if it's on NASA's mission and given any reasonable degree of release, we ought to have it.

What we do with this tremendous collection is what the system is all about. It's fairly easy to microfilm the documents and distribute them promptly to Centers and contractors. There are at least a dozen different ways we

assemble and parcel out specific slices for individuals and groups of users. We issue two abstract journals, on alternating weeks, that announce and abstract new material, one for reports, and one for journals, papers, and books. Both of these journals, Scientific and Technical Aerospace Reports (STAR), and International Aerospace Abstracts (IAA), carry indexes that allow a user to search by subject, author, originating institution, contract number, or report number. They are produced rapidly and permit about as sophisticated search and retrieval as can be managed by ink on paper!

But these journals, even with a set of cumulated indexes, are really neither fast enough nor comprehensive enough to suit many NASA needs. Typically, when a searcher wants to know what's been done in a specific area, he wants to know a little more than simply what's been done recently. There is a great deal of serendipity in a really satisfactory search: it's a kind of random walk into unknown terrain. For this, nothing to date has proved better than our NASA/RECON, an online bibliographic search system of almost eerie responsiveness. NASA pioneered this system in the 1960's and 1970's; in the intervening period RECON has been steadily growing in responsiveness, speed, and precision. RECON currently responds to over 12,000 separate commands a day, from over 250 terminals and password holders.

One interesting part of the system is NALNET, containing a listing of journals and books held by each NASA Center library. This means that our libraries need not maintain costly duplicate collections for local use, but can arrange for rapid interlibrary loans of titles on demand. The books are integrated for searching purposes with the entire NASA data base.

There are countless by-product advantages of our methods of accessing the collection. To produce the big abstract journals, for example, we need standardization of citations, abstracts, and indexing. To re-sort this material into specialized products for special audiences, all it takes is some relatively uncomplicated software. It permits us to generate, at low cost and without

delay, continuing bibliographies in aeronautical engineering, aerospace medicine and biology, earth resources, energy, large space structures technology, and management. This material, sorted from the main input stream and presented for particular readerships, is acquired at virtually zero incremental cost and effort.

We also assist Headquarters offices in devising or producing their own special data bases and publications including the RTOP annual (ongoing NASA R&D projects), the yearly "green book" of university contracts and grants, the indexes of NASA management issuances, and a new online index for NASA safety reports. The Patent Bibliography is issued for the Patent Counsel. An online directory of numerical data bases was established in March 1983.

In summary, the NASA system, was begun over 20 years ago to serve a variety of users with a variety of information products, and continues to fulfill this role in an every improving manner.

### **Citations Listed Daily on NASA/RECON**

A developmental service is being tested on NASA/RECON. Ten recent additions to the NASA STI data base can be viewed each day and full text ordered for those of interest. These items are directed toward NASA managers and are selected for pertinence in relation to NASA's mission, management, and foreign technology. A more selective weekly listing is being considered.

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We are looking for a name for the service, soliciting comments on its value and suggestions on how it can be improved. Call or write John Wilson.

### **Contracts and RTOP's Text Searchable**

Recently added to NASA/RECON is the capability to text search NASA's ongoing research project descriptions - Research and Technology Objectives and Plans (RTOP) - and contract entries for the 1983 accession year and later on NASA/RECON. Managers as well as R&D staff will find it easier to find projects underway related to theirs.

### **NASA/RECON Training**

Plans for RECON training through October 1982 are:

#### Advanced - Minneapolis Area

September 21-22, Wednesday & Thursday

Rosemount Inc.,

Eden Prairie, MN 55344

Hostess/Coordinator - Ms. Rosa Rummel  
(612) 828-3716

#### Basic - Facility (BWI Airport, MD)

October 17-18, Monday & Tuesday  
These sessions have been coordinated with the Annual DROLS Conference scheduled for October 19-21.

Those interested in attending the scheduled sessions are requested to inform Philip F. Eckert, (301) 859-5300.

### **NASA STI Managers Meet**

NASA STI managers met June 16 and 17 at Headquarters. Conclusions and action requirements resulting from discussions will be implemented at the Centers and Headquarters. Included were:

- o Headquarters STIB will serve as a NASA-wide clearinghouse for statements of work for STI support contracts.
- o Centers will continue to issue annual bibliographies or lists of reports where they serve a useful purpose.

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- o Center annual R&T reports should be issued in the TM series and will be included in the STI data base.
- o Centers will review report control procedures for conformance with comment requirements; a 300-copy limit can be delegated to the Center.
- o Contractor Reports will continue to be submitted directly to the STI Facility. Modification to the procurement regulation will be sought to add "after technical monitor approval."
- o Handling of publication series will be reviewed by an intra-NASA group.
- o Efforts will be made to improve acquisition of mission operations reports for the data base.
- o The proposed NASA-wide Integrated Library System (ILS) will proceed, with bulk of costs anticipated for FY 1985.
- o Possibility of issuing a series "Best of NASA Pathfinder" bibliographies will be explored, to be made available to new hires, contractors.

- o Central procurement of full-text journals online will be explored.

These informal STI managers meetings provide a forum for continuing improvement of the NASA STI system.

### **NASA SCAN to Contain Abstracts**

Commencing with SCAN 11 of May 1983, SCAN will include abstracts. Major and minor index terms have been dropped to compensate partially for the abstract, which requires more space. Semimonthly issuances will be continued. Review of the 186 topics is underway for possible upgrading of the profiles.

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## RECON Access Charges Modified

RECON charges have been modified slightly to improve flexibility and simplify calculations. There is no increase or decrease - just a different methodology. The new charges are as follows:

RECON Enrollment Fee	\$60.00	To initiate service
Annual Maintenance Fee	60.00	Prorated for first year
Search Time	20.00	Connect Hour
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Citation Printing	0.05	Each printed at NASA STI Facility

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The annual maintenance fee is based on the calendar year, January 1 through December 31. Users who require that the annual maintenance fee be based on the federal fiscal year (or some other period of time) are requested to make special billing arrangements with Ms. Mary Jo Minnick at the Facility (301-859-5300, Ext. 222).

## NASA to Make AIAA a Source for Information Data Base

NASA has arranged to make bibliographic data containing descriptions of more than 1.2 million reports and articles covering the world's aeronautical and space literature since 1962 available for leasing through the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics (AIAA) located in New York. AIAA and NASA have shared in design and production of the data base since 1963 when NASA began supporting AIAA's preparation of International Aerospace Abstracts (IAA) and adding it to the NASA data base.

Regularly updated with about 70,000 document citations each year, this computer-readable data base is the most comprehensive aerospace data base available directly to United States organizations. It can be leased by domestic organizations from AIAA for access only within the United States. There are an estimated 200,000 end-users whose work can benefit from the sophisticated technology documented in this system.

The electronic data, to be known as the Aerospace Database, is a combination of the existing abstract periodicals, Scientific and Technical Aerospace Reports (STAR) and IAA. It will be licensed to online vendors and leased to domestic corporations for use in their in-house data base systems. With this new arrangement, all domestic organizations will have direct access to primary aerospace information, thereby supplementing the access already available for government and educational use through NASA's online system, RECON, and through NASA-supported Industrial Application Centers and State Technology Centers.

AIAA will undertake a national marketing effort, not only to reach information intermediaries, but to train scientists and engineers to search the data base directly.

## New Type (T) Command

A new TYPE Command, to be operational in early October, will permit the dial-in user to type up to 100 citations (including abstracts). The user may order 10, 20, .....100 citations by these commands:

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When the TYPE Command is implemented, the present software will be unable to "break in" to stop the typing. Software is being developed, however, to abort the typing upon command. The default (in event the range of items is omitted) for the TYPE Command is one citation.

The use of TYPE Command on the UTS-400 is anticipated.

## **NASA RECON/Training**

NASA/RECON advanced training sessions were held at the Charles Stark Draper Laboratory, Inc. in Cambridge, Massachusetts on May 24 and 25 for 32 information specialists representing 14 organizations. The chief of the Scientific and Technical Information Branch and the staff at NASA Headquarters express their appreciation and gratitude to Ms. Cary Graham and Ms. Betty Edwards for their top performance as hostesses for the training group. Mr. Van A. Wentz also relays NASA's appreciation to Ms. Hope Coffman and other officials of the Draper Laboratory.

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(301) 859-5300.

## **ESDU Items in STAR**

Documents issued by the Engineering Science Data Unit are now being included in the STI data base and announced in STAR. ESDU Data Items cover a wide range of carefully prepared and vigorously monitored engineering guides, standards, calculations, design criteria, and reference materials.

## **The N-70000 and X-70000 Series**

The N-70000 and X-70000 series are the third and fourth NASA series to be described in the NASA/RECON Bulletins.

The N-70000 (with aliases 7N and N70K) series consists of older unclassified, unlimited materials or materials for administrative reasons considered unsuitable for announcement in an abstract journal, viz. STAR. As a general rule, N-70000 candidates for the data base are one and a half or more years old. These documents are cataloged and subject indexed on two levels - major terms and minor terms. No abstracts are entered into the data base. All titles from 1964 to date are retrievable by "text" search using mnemonics UTP or ATL.

The X-70000 (with aliases 7X and X70K) series consists of older unclassified, limited materials or classified materials considered unsuitable for announcement in an abstract journal, viz. LSTAR. As with the 7N series, documents in the 7X series are cataloged and indexed on two levels of thesaurus indexing. Similarly, no abstracts are entered into the data base. All titles from 1964 to date are likewise retrievable by "text" search using the mnemonics UTP or ATL.

The 7N and 7X series, containing 167,000 and 164,000 accessions, respectively, on January 1, 1983, are extremely valuable resources that complement the recently acquired materials, which are used for STAR and LSTAR input.

As a reminder, an "N" in an accession number connotes unclassified, unlimited or U<sup>2</sup>. An "X" in an accession number signifies a limitation, such as unclassified, limited (limited to certain users) or UL; it could also mean that the document is security-classified.

Earlier descriptions of the IAA or A10K series and the STAR or N10K series are contained in NASA/RECON Bulletins 82/12 (Dec. 1982) and 83/1 (Jan. 1983), respectively. New recipients of this publication may obtain copies of the earlier bulletins by writing to the Facility, Attn: Ms. Joanne Purdy.

## Second Computer for Facility

The Facility has recently installed an additional computer - an IBM-4341-L01. The new mainframe is required for a new input processing system and will be loosely coupled with the existing IBM-4341-M02 and its peripherals. Specific areas of improvement include:

- o Online Duplicate Checking
- o Interactive Machine Edit and Validation of Online Data Entry
- o Online Access to Authority Files
- o Interactive Abstracting, Indexing, and Cataloging
- o Online Support for Processing Machine-Readable Data
- o Subject Switching (e.g., DTIC & DOE Term Conversion to NASA Subject Thesaurus Terms)
- o Improved Production Throughput for NALNET
- o Capability for RECON to Search In-Process Data
- o 100% Compatible CPU Backup for RECON
- o Expanded Backup for NASA Headquarters Computer Center
- o Resources for NASA-Wide Integrated Library System

## Deposit Accounts Available

Private concerns, universities, and government agencies which want to count on the continued availability of funds intended for scientific & technical information purposes may wish to open a NASA/RECON Deposit Account at the Facility. Any amount may be used in such accounts to provide for future on-line information service needs. Funds deposited now will continue to be available when needed, regardless of the advent of a new fiscal year. For further information, contact Ms. Mary Jo Minnick at the Facility: (301) 859-5300, ext. 222.

## New FAA Paper on Lightning

A new conference publication has just been released by the FAA, entitled International Aerospace and Ground Conference on Lightning and Static Electricity. The 83 related papers were published as report number DOT/FAA/CT-83/25 in June 83. The publication is currently undergoing processing at the Facility as an analytic and will be announced in STAR 19 on October 8, 1983. It will not be microfiched and will not be available for sale from NTIS. It is available for \$25.00 payable to IALC-8, from M. Glynn, FAA Technical Center, ACT-340, Atlantic City Airport, NJ 08405.

## S&T Publications NMI Issued

A NASA Management Instruction, NMI 2220.13B - Control of the Production and Distribution of Scientific and Technical Publications - has been issued that defines the control system for scientific and technical publications, one of three control systems addressed in the umbrella NMI issued last year, NMI 2214.1 - Control of the Production and Distribution of NASA Publications and Audiovisual Products. The two NMI's were issued in response to a call for cost efficiency in government publications practices. Centers have reviewed their own control systems to determine if they are up to date. When Headquarters has completed its review, authority for control of the various formal series reports will be redelegated as appropriate. However, control of Special Publications, because of the cost and the effort involved in the production, will be retained by the Director of the Logistics Management and Information Programs Division. The publications covered by the NMI's include Special Publications, Reference Publications, Conference Publications, Technical Memorandums, Technical Papers, and Contractor Reports.

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## Recent Publications

User's Guide for the Solar Back-scattered Ultraviolet (SBUV) and the Total Ozone Mapping Spectrometer (TOMS) RUT-S and RUT-T Data Sets:

Oct. 31, 1978 to Nov. 1, 1980,  
N83-28828 Iss 17 Cat 47 NASA-RP-1112  
135 pages, NTIS, \$14.50

Radiometer Requirements for Earth-Observation Systems Using Large Space Antennas

N83-28410 Iss 17 Cat 35 NASA-RP-1101  
44 pages, NTIS, \$8.50

Rolling-Element Bearings,

N83-27214 Iss 16 Cat 37 NASA-RP-1105  
61 pages, NTIS, \$10.00

A NASA High-Power Space-Based Laser Research and Applications Program.

N83-27200 Iss 16 Cat 36 NASA-SP-464  
46 pages, NTIS, \$8.50

Large Space Antenna Systems Technology, Part 1,

N83-26853 Iss 16 Cat 15 NASA-CP-2269-Pt-1  
596 pages, NTIS, \$41.50

Large Space Antenna Systems Technology, Part 2,

N83-26879 Iss 16 Cat 15 NASA-CP-2269-Pt-2  
469 pages, NTIS, \$34.00

Summary Proceedings of a Wind Shear Workshop,

N83-25265 Iss 14 Cat 47 NASA-CP-2270  
20 pages, NTIS, \$7.00

The 17th Aerospace Mechanisms Symposium,  
N83-24881 Iss 14 Cat 39 NASA-CP-2273  
390 pages, NTIS, \$29.50

Aviation Gasolines and Future Alternatives,  
N83-22442 Iss 12 Cat 28 NASA-CP-2267  
164 pages, NTIS, \$16.00

Small Transport Aircraft Technology,  
N83-20931 Iss 11 Cat 05 NASA-SP-460  
118 pages, GPO, \$5.00

Modeling, Analysis, and Optimization Issues for Large Space Structures,  
N83-18819 Iss 09 Cat 15 NASA-CP-2258  
222 pages, NTIS, \$19.00

Joint University Program for Air Transportation Research, 1980,  
N83-18637 Iss 09 Cat 01 NASA-CP-2176  
144 pages, NTIS, \$14.50

Managing NASA in the Apollo Era,  
N83-18551 Iss 08 Cat 81 NASA-SP-4102  
359 pages, GPO, \$10.00

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## Trial Period for Indexed Searches

On a three month trial basis, the NASA STI Facility will provide indexes for RECON searches when requested by users. This experiment will run from November 1, 1983, through January 31, 1984, and use existing capabilities.

NASA users will not be charged for the service. Non-NASA users will be charged \$0.05 per citation indexed. Indexing will be available for search results of 100 or more citations made on the primary data base (1968 to date).

Search results will be held until the index is ready, so that they can be bound and mailed together. If search results are especially bulky, the index can, of course, be bound separately.

The Facility will keep a record of the users' names and addresses who request indexes during the trial period so that followup analysis may be done.

## Attention Telenet Users

On September 26, 1983, RECON began using an enhanced interface to the Telenet network. This is being done in an effort to curtail escalating Telenet costs while accommodating more users at the same time.

The new interface requires a slightly different signon procedure. You should have already received new instructions from the Facility. If not, or should you have any questions concerning the Telenet system, please feel free to call the RECON Coordinator at (301) 621-0301.

Results of the trial will be used by NASA to evaluate whether or not to

make any required software modifications and to continue or discontinue offering this service.

If you are interested in having an index prepared for a search, contact Philip F. Eckert (202) 621-0140 before the search is run.

## Pioneer Venus Special Publication

Pioneer Venus by Richard O. Fimmel, Lawrence Colin, and Eric Burgess, provides a comprehensive view of a planet and a pioneering mission. In December 1978, instrumented unmanned spacecraft reached Venus and began sending to Earth a treasure-trove of data about our near neighbor. The book, published by Ames and the STI Branch, narrates the history of the NASA-Ames program and describes in detail the spacecraft used and the scientific experiments performed. In addition, it discusses the Soviet Venera program that brought spacecraft to Venus at the same time our craft arrived.

The text is technical in nature. Extensive bibliography and explanatory appendixes on Venus and the mission team are included. It is liberally illustrated with photographs and diagrams.

Copies of NASA SP-461 (N83-30340) may be obtained for \$11.00 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.

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## LSTAR Series

The LSTAR Series (the fifth to be described in the STI-RECON Bulletins) has several aliases - X10K, X-10,000, and CSTAR.

The LSTAR is an acronym for Limited STAR. LSTAR announces current unclassified reports prepared by NASA and its contractors and grantees that are subject to availability limitations, and security-classified reports of NASA and NASA-supported research. Security-classified reports announced in LSTAR bear either CONFIDENTIAL or SECRET classifications, which is indicated as part of the citation. While the reports themselves may be classified, LSTAR contains no classified information.

The Series was originally called CSTAR, meaning Classified STAR. Its accession population was quite heavy in the middle and late sixties and in 1970 because it was comprised mostly of unclassified, limited distribution (UL) and security classified reports from DoD and from foreign sources. Monthly abstract journals for this series were classified for the years 1962 through 1971.

In 1974, the first volume of LSTAR was published as an unclassified abstract journal. It consisted of 767 limited distribution and security classified reports that were processed into the data base during the last few months of 1972 and all of 1973. With the exception of the accession year of 1976, all reports accessioned into the LSTAR data base have averaged about 300 per year. The 1892 reports contained in 1976 subset were accessioned to produce ESA SP-1006, Index of ELDO Publications. (ESA = European Space Agency; ELDO = European Lancer Development Organization.)

From 1974 through 1982, the LSTAR abstract journal was published on a quarterly basis. In 1983, the journal was temporarily suspended. LSTAR accessions, as a result of the suspension, are added monthly to the NASA

data base instead of quarterly. LSTAR accessions are retrievable on RECON through major and minor level indexing. The abstract family is text-searchable from 1975 to date using the mnemonics TX and AX; the title family is also text-searchable, but from 1962 to date using the mnemonics ATL and UTP.

The total population of LSTAR accessions on January 1, 1983 was 82,500 (35,000 in the Primary Data Base and 47,000 in the Alternate Data Base).

## New Remote Sensing Paper

A transcription of the full Remote Sensing Issues Panel Discussion from the 4th Geosat Workshop, "Remote Sensing Frontiers" held in Flagstaff, Arizona in June 1983, is now available from The Geosat Committee.

This document contains important information on the current issue of commercializing the Landsat program as well as on data distribution, high-risk civil R&D, and the "Open Skies" policy.

Please contact The Geosat Committee, 153 Kearny, Suite 209, San Francisco, CA 94108 (415) 981-6265, for information on how to order.

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# NASA Special Publications, Reference Publications, and Conference Publications

## How are These Publications Related?

In 1977 NASA modified the "Special Publications" family by dividing it into three parts. Today there are NASA Special Publications (SP's), NASA Reference Publications (RP's), and NASA Conference Publications (CP's). Special Publications coverage includes scientific summaries of mission results, scientific photography, atlases, and histories and chronologies.

Reference Publications coverage includes technical handbooks and manuals, critical tables, monographs, and scientific and technical textbooks.

Conference Publications coverage includes symposia, workshops, seminars, and other professional meetings sponsored by NASA.

As a general rule, SP's and RP's are of special quality and are considered to have especially long-term usefulness, while CP's present new information.

## New Catalog Available

The long-awaited Records of Achievement - NASA Special Publications has finally been published and distributed. Its report number is NASA SP-470, and it is free from both the Facility and NTIS.

The new publication contains a brief description of NASA's Special Publications, Conference Publications, Reference Publications and a short narrative of some of NASA's achievements during its twenty-five years of existence. The citations are arranged in ascending order by class (SP, RP, and CP). In addition, publications are indexed under NASA's ten broad categories and by specific category within each broad category. The accession years for the publication span the period 1962 through July 1983.

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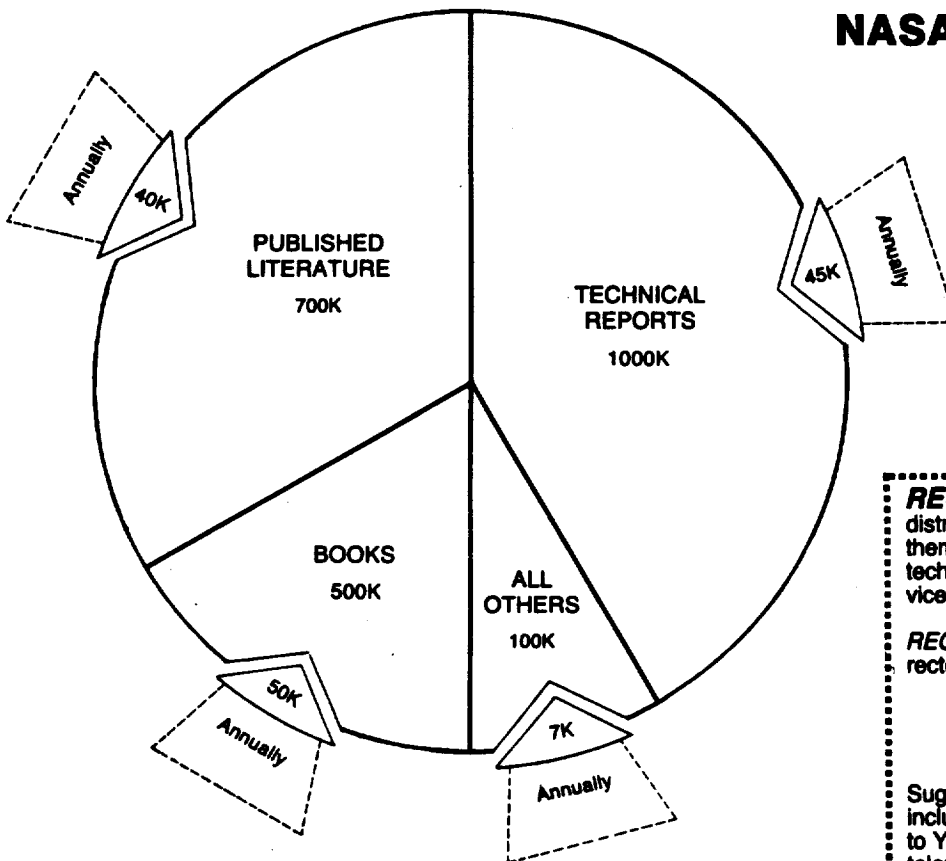


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## *Online Searching Courses to be Developed*

There is a growing realization that recent college graduates in scientific and engineering disciplines do not have the experience, skills, and motivation necessary to take full advantage of existing automated systems which provide capabilities for searching and retrieving scientific and technical information.

Southern University (SU), Baton Rouge, LA, is being funded by NASA to develop and evaluate a set of transportable, college-level courses to educate science and engineering students in the effective use of these systems, and, in particular, in the use of the NASA RECON system. Courses to be developed include a full semester course, full quarter course, a six-week workshop, and a two or three day workshop.

These courses will include access via computer terminal to NASA/RECON online bibliographical system and at least one other online system building search strategies based on analysis of the data bases available and knowledge of the vocabularies.

They will also include instruction in the published resources that provide access to the NASA scientific and technical information data base, as well as those of other federal and commercial agencies, including Departments of Defense and Energy, National Technical Information Service, Libraries of Medicine and Agriculture, Lockheed Information Service, and Bibliographic Retrieval Services. Complete curricula support materials will be prepared for instructors and students.

Graduates from colleges and universities sponsoring such courses will have gained the experience, skills, and motivation necessary for the effective use of automated information support systems. Hence, they would be better prepared to work in R&D. Such prior experience should have an early effect on the quality of research conducted by incoming employees into the federal sector and their contractors, and should reduce required training, thus increased productivity of the R&D of Federal programs can be expected.

The project will take two years to complete. It will then be followed by another two or three years of introducing the curricula developed into university and college undergraduate science and engineering programs nationwide.

SU will be assisted by Southwestern Louisiana University. NASA's Office of Equal Opportunity and the Scientific and Technical Information Branch will share in funding the project.

## RECON Training

NASA/RECON Training has been tentatively scheduled as follows:

February 7 - 8, 1984 -- Basic training  
at the Facility, BWI Airport, MD.

March 13 - 14, 1984 -- Advanced  
Training at the Facility, BWI  
Airport, MD.

For further information, contact  
Philip F. Eckert, (202) 621-0140.



## The W and K Series Described

The W and K Series are the sixth and seventh NASA accession series described in the RECON bulletins.

The W70K Series was implemented in 1971 for an annual publication entitled, NASA Research and Technology Objectives and Plans (RTOP). RTOP is an annual guide to NASA-sponsored research in progress. It is a summary, with indexes, of all Research and Technology Objectives and Plans submitted by NASA Centers to the NASA Headquarters Office of Aeronautics and Space Technology for management review. The items are not documents.

The items are cataloged, indexed (on one level), and are text-searchable (titles and abstracts) from 1982 to date. As of July 1983, the total historical RTOP population was 9,611. All of these are available on RECON. However, there are only 678 active RTOP items.

The K10K Series was implemented in 1972 and is currently called the R&D Contract Search File. Containing information about NASA R&D Contracts, Grants, and Orders, the file is available to all RECON users and is a supplement to the W70K Series. Again, the items are not documents.

The items are cataloged and indexed on one level and the titles are text-searchable from 82K10134 and later. The K10K Series document population in July 1983 was 17,600.

It is useful to search these series if you are interested in new trends or future developments. Although the citations are not for documents, they can identify for you corporate sources and project leaders doing new work in a given field.

## User Group to be Formed

Recent expansion in access to NASA/RECON has resulted in different types of organizations coming onto the system. Also, planned development of EASY/RECON could be assisted by advice from users.

To gather these ideas, a RECON User Group is being formed. The first meeting of the Group is planned for February or March 1984. It is anticipated that 6 to 10 members of the group would serve as a liaison committee to work with the NASA Scientific and Technical Information Branch (STIB) to focus and channel suggestions and problems.

We welcome your ideas on how such a group should be organized or how it should function. Write or call John Wilson (202-755-3456 or FTS 755-3465) at NASA STIB.

## Price of Information

Annually, the Library Journal surveys American periodical subscription prices. This year's analysis covers 3,671 titles. The average subscription price for an American title is \$50.23. The top five average subscription categories are all in the sciences:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Average Price</u>	<u>Number of Titles</u>
Chemistry and Physics	\$207.94	167
Medicine	112.72	177
Mathematics	97.26	228
Engineering	73.18	265
Zoology	70.74	93

Under Science and Technology Serial Services (the group where STAR would be placed), the average price was \$270.94 covering 281 titles. A complete tally of all periodicals and serial services can be found in the September 1, 1983 issue of Library Journal, pages 1659 through 1662.







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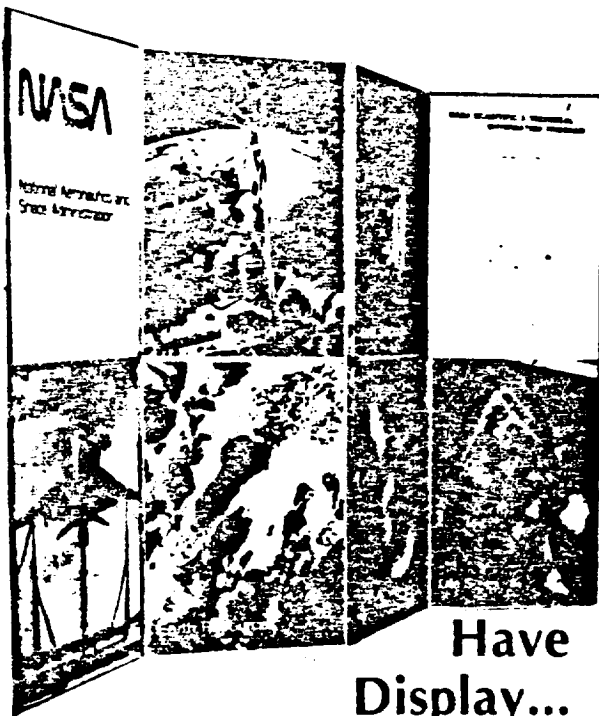
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Association (EAA) Convention and Sport Aviation Exhibition (EAA Fly-In) in Oshkosh, Wisconsin and the American Society of Information Specialists (ASIS) Conference in Washington, D.C.

Included on the display are pictures depicting projects toward future flight, lunar exploration, earth resources, space operations, astrophysics, and life sciences, along with a brief announcement of the NASA STI program.

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